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**WORLD STARS:** Hundreds of thousands French supporters lined the streets yesterday to welcome home their World Cup heroes from Russia. The triumphant players stepped off their flight at home from Moscow before taking an open bus down the Champs-Elysees to celebrate winning the trophy. (AP)

## GOOD NEWS FOR ROAD ACCIDENT VICTIMS...

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## 2 NATIONAL NEWS

# SUPREME COURT TO DECIDE NEXT MOVE IN SIPHO SHONGWE'S BAIL HEARING

● Using the strength of Section 148(1) of the Constitution of the Kingdom of Eswatini, the crown wants the Supreme Court to provide guidance and decide on what should be the position where there are two conflicting orders for the High court involving the same matter of the same facts.

Stories by Sandile Nkambule  
Supreme Court

As the bail application case for murder suspect Sipho Shongwe has reached the Supreme Court, the Crown in its urgent application has submitted that the issue of the conflicting orders of the High Court concerning the bail hearing is the first of its kind.

It further contends that it is an embarrassment to the justice system.

Principal Crown Counsel Absalom Makhanya made these submissions during an urgent application that was filed by the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) at the Supreme Court yesterday.

The Crown has filed an urgent application seeking the Supreme Court's intervention in giving direction on the issue of the conflicting orders.

The two conflicting orders were issued by Judge Mzwandile Fakudze and Judge Sipho Nkosi at the High Court.

Justice Fakudze had ordered that the bail application for Shongwe be stayed pending finalisation of an appeal noted by the Crown at the Supreme Court, meanwhile, Justice Nkosi had vowed that he shall proceed with the bail hearing no matter what, an order he issued on June 28.

Using the strength of Section 148(1) of the Constitution of the Kingdom of Eswatini, the crown wants the Supreme Court to provide guidance and decide on what should be the position where there are two conflicting orders for the High Court involving the same matter of the same facts.

Makhanya made his submissions before the Supreme Court comprising Judges Majahenkhaba Dlamini, Stanley

Maphalala and Jacobus Annandale.

Makhanya submitted that when exercising its supervisory powers, the Supreme Court will not be interfering with the discretion powers of the High Court as envisaged by Section 141 as alleged by the respondent, stating that the purpose of Section 148(1) is purported to restore the administration of justice. Section 148(1) of the Constitution provides that "the Supreme Court has supervisory jurisdiction over all courts of judicature and over any adjudicating authority and may, in the discharge of that jurisdiction, issue orders and directions for the purposes of enforcing or securing the enforcement of its supervisory power."

Makhanya, alongside Principal Crown Counsel Macebo Nxumalo, submitted that the Supreme Court jurisdiction by virtue of the above section exercises supervisory authority over all courts in the kingdom. He submitted that the matter was urgent in that Judge Nkosi had scheduled to hear the bail application on Monday July 9, 2018, but that date has passed and only the issue of the conflicting orders has to be dealt with by the Supreme Court.

However, the issue of urgency, according to Makhanya, is no longer an issue in relation to the hearing on July 9 as the Supreme Court issued an order that the bail hearing be held in abeyance pending finalisation of the present application.

Judge Nkosi had vowed that he would proceed with the bail hearing on July 9 no matter what as he had been seized with the matter.

Justice Nkosi, however, did not proceed with the bail hearing following a directive by the chief justice that it

should not proceed pending the appeal application noted by the crown at the Supreme Court against Judge Nkosi's ruling in finding that Shongwe did not fraudulently escape from Barberton Maximum prison in South Africa.

Also, Justice Fakudze in his judgment, ordered that the bail hearing should be frozen pending the appeal noted by the Crown at the Supreme Court.

Justice Nkosi made utterances during the course of the bail hearing that in the event he finds that Shongwe fraudulently escaped from Barberton prison he would not be released from jail, but should he find that he did not fraudulently escape, he would be released.

This then prompted the Crown to note an appeal at the Supreme Court as it felt that his finding that he did not fraudulently escape

automatically meant he was releasing him.

## Crown's actions abuse of court process - Defence

IN his arguments, lawyer Lucky Howe, who is instructed by lawyer Sipho Mnisi, argued that the actions of the Crown are nothing but an abuse of court process and deprivation of Sipho Shongwe's liberty.

Howe, was alongside senior attorney Ben J Simelane, argued that the Crown has failed to make its case in as far as urgency of the matter is concerned.

The Crown, according to Howe, has on several occasions contradicted itself on the urgency but believes the court will grant the order it is seeking in the matter.

He submitted that the facts of the matter are that the applicant (crown) came before court and opposed Shongwe's bail application and a ruling was made by the court to the effect that Shongwe did not fraudulently escape from Barberton prison as the crown allegedly failed to prove same, something which is not affecting the rights of the parties in the bail application before Judge Nkosi.

Howe submitted before the

Supreme Court that the application filed by the Crown must fail, arguing that it has no merits and is devoid of the truth.

"It is a clear case of delaying the proceedings before court with the sole purpose of depriving Shongwe of his rights to a hearing. The Crown is attempting to delay the process with the hope that the extradition application in the lower court can be heard with the hope that it is granted to avoid the outcome of the bail," Howe argued. He stated that the present application by the Crown was brought to court on the last day the bail application was to be heard by Judge Nkosi set for July 9, 2018 and the parties did not object to same adding that a notice of set down was served on the parties. The Crown, according to Howe, waited for the last day to move the application arguing that if there may be a case of abuse of court process, this is the one, adding that they had a full week at the most to prepare for the matter.

## Should Shongwe be in custody till the Lord comes back, wonders Howe

RELATIVES and friends to Sipho Shongwe concurred with lawyer Lucky Howe who wondered if the accused would remain in custody until the return of the Lord.

"My client has been in jail since January and the bail proceedings have not been finalised due to the Crown's delays; should my client keep on waiting for the outcome of the bail in jail till the Lord Jesus comes back?" Howe submitted.

Howe told the court that the matter would not have reached its 97th day without finalisation, had the Crown been serious about prosecuting Shongwe who has been in custody since January 2018. Shongwe was arrested in January after being charged with the murder of businessman Victor Gamedze who was gunned down at the Galp Filling Station at Ezulwini. Howe submitted that the Crown has taken an arm chair attitude towards the law and that being the case, the application they have filed has no merit and must be dismissed with costs sought.

System He told the court that the Crown should give a detailed explanation

for the delay and the non-compliance with the rules, which it has not.

In his 1 hour 30 minutes submissions, Howe submitted that what will restore the faith in the justice system and the Judiciary is for the court dismissing the application filed by the crown and ordering that the matter before Judge Nkosi proceed.

### Powers

He stated that the Crown has a duty to prosecute offenders as per the Constitution where a case exists and not to proceed in the manner it has been doing as the Crown's conduct is distrustful of Shongwe's rights and is subject to investigation by the Human Rights Commission.

The Crown, according to Howe, has not been bona fide in his dealings not to proceed before the court as clearly demonstrated alleging that a dismal attempt at creating some element of confusion by the applicant is that Justice Fakudze made an order to the effect that the bail must not proceed until appeal has been heard. He argued that the court was not informed that the appeal is not before the Supreme Court as leave has to be sought if the matter were to be appealable, which he claimed is not appealable.

The respondent (Shongwe), through his lawyer, also argued that the chief justice has no judicial powers when sitting as a chief justice, arguing that he has administrative powers only hence he could not have issued a directive that the matter should not proceed before Judge Nkosi. Present during yesterday's hearing were Shongwe's wife, relatives and friends who had come to support him in the matter which has been in different courts since January.

### TIME LINE OF EVENTS IN SIPHO SHONGWE MATTER

- Shongwe was arrested and charged with the murder of businessman Victor Gamedze on January 19, 2018.
- Appeared before a magistrate at the Mbabane Magistrate's Court, advised to move bail application at High Court.
- Appeared for his bail application before Judge Sipho Nkosi who says he wants evidence on whether Shongwe escaped from Barberton prison as crown opposes bail application.
- Extradition application also pending at Manzini Principal Magistrate's Court.
- Judge Nkosi tells Shongwe that if he finds he escaped from prison, he would not be granted bail but if he did not he would be granted same.
- Judge Nkosi turns back some witnesses from Barberton as in-Charge at Barberton Seshason Nkosi went back without giving his evidence.
- Judge Nkosi rules that Shongwe did not escape fraudulently from Barberton prison.
- Crown notes appeal at Supreme Court against Judge Nkosi's judgment and wants written reasons.
- Judge Nkosi fails to give written judgment with reasons, bail application frozen.
- Shongwe files another application before Judge Mzwandile Fakudze for speedy hearing of his matter.
- Judge Fakudze orders that Shongwe's bail hearing be stayed pending finalisation of appeal noted by crown.
- Shongwe approaches another Court as matter is also before Principal Judge Qinisile Mabuza as he wants crown to furnish him with list of witnesses and evidence.
- Judge Nkosi orders that bail hearing proceeds on July 9.
- Crown runs to Supreme Court again in bid to stop Judge Nkosi from hearing bail.
- Judge Nkosi apologises to CJ on misunderstanding on directive, stays away from bail hearing.
- Supreme Court yesterday heard urgent application filed by the Crown, judgment reserved by Supreme Court on conflicting orders issued by both Judges Fakudze and Nkosi.



# ABOUT 49 REMOVED FROM MALANTI VOTERS' ROLL

By Sabelo Majola  
Mbabane

About 49 voters have been purged from the voters' roll at Malanti after it emerged that they were not from the constituency.

The exercise to purge the voters was held yesterday at the Malanti

Royal kraal, where the 49 would-be voters were removed from the roll owing to the fact that they were from other constituencies.

This was revealed by one of the inner council members of the area Siphon Kunene.

The latter was among the recently reinstated five inner council members who were banned from running

a parallel administration and from conducting meetings through a memorandum dated June 22, 2018.

The five members, who are Elliot Mnisi, Ngilandi Mnisi, Mabhula Mnisi, Frank Mncina and Kunene, were relieved of their duties as *bandlan-*

cane on May 13, 2018 and they were further prohibited from acting or posing as the inner council on grounds that their term of office was up and they were no longer accountable to the Mangeni Royal kraal.

Kunene said the purging would continue this week, but they had to wait as there

were not enough forms for the purged voters to fill and submit to the Elections and Boundaries Commission (EBC), in which they will declare their rightful areas to exercise their voting right.

"The numbers will increase as it was discovered that there are multiple individuals who registered at Malanti but are actually not from here," he said.



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# GOOD NEWS: MVA TO HIKE SOME ACCIDENT CLAIMS BY 100%

According to the Bill, victims of road accidents who will suffer general damages, will receive compensation of up to E300 000. This reflects a 100 per cent increase compared to the E150 000 compensation currently offered by SMVA for general damages. Compensation for funeral expenses will stand at E15 000, yet according to the 2011 Act, SMVA paid only E10 000 towards funeral expenses for accident victims

By Sisho Magagula  
Mbabane

**COVER STORY**

IN what will come as good news to the public, some compensation fees awarded to victims of motor vehicle accidents are set to increase by over 100 per cent.

There are those that would attract a 50 per cent increase.

The increase of the compensation amounts are contained in the proposed Motor Vehicle Accidents (Amendment) Bill of 2018.

The Bill has since been drafted by the office of the Attorney General and is still at its preliminary stages as it still has to go via cabinet before it is tabled in parliament.

It seeks to amend the Motor Vehicle Accidents Act of 1991 and 2011, so as to provide for the removal of disparity between categories of claimants, the removal of the ambiguities to do with statutory limitations to the Swaziland Motor Vehicle Accident Fund's liability and the introduction of general capping provisions.

Other objects of the Bill include increasing the overall limits and liability of the SMVA Fund and introduction of new categories, to review the benefit limits set out under Section 10 and 11 of the Act, and to ensure that benefits are determined on the basis of individual claim submitted rather than on aggregate basis.

The Bill will no doubt be received with joy by the public because it seeks to increase some compensation to dou-

TABLE SHOWING THE PROPOSED COMPENSATION INCREASES FOR ROAD ACCIDENT VICTIMS

| SUBJECT                               | CURRENT (2011)   | AMENDMENT (2018)   |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Funeral expenses                   | E10 000 per claim (fault)  | E15 000 per claim (no fault)   |
| 1. General damages                    | E150 000 per claim   | E300 000 per claim   |
| 1. Loss of support                    | E350 000 per claim   | E350 000 per dependant<br>Maximum E8 000 per month (paid in installments. Where no income was proved, the Fund uses industry standard or informal sector minimum wages). |
| 1. Loss of income                     | No minimum, dependant on proof of loss of income   | E350 000 per claim   |
| 1. Fare paying passengers/ for reward | E100 000 per passengers (All benefits)   | E300 000 per claim<br>E3 500 000 per event   |
| 1. Ordinary passengers                | E50 000 per claim<br>Maximum E500 000 per event (special damages, excluding general damages)                                     | E300 000 per claim<br>E3 500 000 (Special damages excluding general damages)   |
| 1. Insured driver                     | E60 000 per claim (limited to consultation, medical treatment, hospitalization and rehabilitation)                               | E300 000 per claim (limited to consultation, medical treatment, hospitalization and rehabilitation)  |
| 1. Insured river and dependants       | E60 000 per claim<br>Maximum E300 000 per event (limited to consultation, medical treatment, hospitalization and rehabilitation) | E300 000 per claim<br>E3 500 000 per event (limited to consultation, medical treatment, hospitalization and rehabilitation)  |
| 1. Unidentifiable vehicle             | E150 000 per claim<br>E150 000 per event (all benefits)  | E300 000 per claim<br>E3 500 000 per event (all benefits)  |
| 1. On duty/course of employment       | E100 000 per claim   | E300 000 per claim<br>E3 500 000 per event   |

ble of what is currently being offered as compensation. According to the Bill, victims of road accidents who will suffer general damages, will receive compensation of up to E300 000. This reflects a 100 per cent increase compared to the E150 000 compensation currently being offered by SMVA for general damages. Compensation for funeral expenses will stand at E15 000, yet according to the 2011 Act, SMVA paid only E10 000 towards funeral expenses for

## SINCEPHETELO MVA FUND

accident victims.

Also, according to the new Bill, dependants of individuals who will lose their lives in road accidents will now pocket E350 000 each for loss of sup-

port. A maximum of E8 000 per month will be paid in instalments. Where no income was proved, the Fund will use industry standard or informal sector minimum wages. Currently, SMVA pays E350 000 per claim, not per dependant. Fare paying passengers who will get injured during accidents also stand to benefit hugely. At present, they get E100 000 per passenger (all benefits) but they shall now receive E300 000 per claim. Ordinary passengers now stand to pocket E300 000 per claim if they get injured in road accidents. Currently, they get only E50 000. An insured driver currently gets E60 000 per claim, but this will now jump to E300 000 per claim, which will be limited to consultation, medical treatment, hospitalisation and rehabilitation.

## Employers CEO Bonisiwe Ntando's contract expires

By Sisho Magagula  
Mbabane

CHIEF Executive Officer (CEO) of the Federation of Swaziland Employers and Chamber of Commerce (FSE&CC) Bonisiwe Ntando will be stepping down from the position this month-end.

According to insiders, Ntando's contract with the organisation will expire on Tuesday, July 31, 2018.

She was recruited into the position in July 2013 and given a five-year contract. The Executive Committee of the FSE&CC has decided to advertise the position.

When she was contacted yesterday, Ntando declined to comment and referred questions to FSE&CC President Andrew LeRoux.

LeRoux confirmed that Ntando's contract would expire at the end of the month. "I can confirm that we have advertised the position of the CEO. The reason the post is being advertised is because the contract of our current CEO will expire at the end of this month. She has not been fired as some might be tempted to think. Neither has she resigned. She was on a five-year fixed term contract and it is within the policy of the FSE&CC that the post should be advertised at the end of the five-

year contract of the substantive CEO," he said.

LeRoux, who is also the Executive Director of Montigny, said another reason the organisation always advertised the post at the end of the contract of a serving CEO was to get the best that the market could offer.

"We advertise in the interest of corporate governance. The Board seeks to recruit the best Liswati that it can identify. The current CEO is also at liberty to apply for the position if she is interested," he said. According to the advertorial, individuals interested in the position must be in possession of a Bachelor of Laws degree (LLB), economics or related field. He or she must also be a holder of a post graduate degree in Business Management, must have a minimum of 10 years experience in an executive management position, experience in strategic planning and organisational development, experience in human resources management and project management.

The purpose of the position is to provide strategic direction, leadership and management of the operations of the FSE&CC.

Prominent persons who have previously held this position include Musa Hlophle and Zodwa Mabuza.

## Sex workers arrested for theft at Mshayazafe

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi  
Manzini

A sex worker ended up being arrested after her client failed to keep his promise of paying E150 upon engaging in sexual intercourse with her.

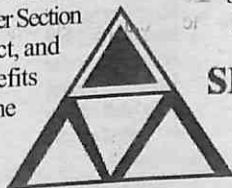
Thuli\* was arrested together with her friend, Sindi\* by the Matsapha police. They were both charged with theft.

It is alleged that on July 7, the accused persons while at Mshayazafe in Matsapha stole a Mobicel cell-phone and a pair of black leather All-Star shoes. During their court appearance yesterday before Manzini Principal Magistrate David Khumalo, the accused elected to conduct their own defence and they pleaded guilty to the charge of theft.

When giving her side of the story on why she ended up stealing the shoes, one of the women (Thuli) informed the court that she was having drinks with three males at the popular drinking hole. She said one of the men started making sexual advances to her. She said she made

a deal with the man that they were going to have sex and she was going to charge him E150. She said indeed they had sex, but after they were done, the man told her that he did not have money.

She said the man gave her his wallet and told her to keep his bank cards, while he was organising the money. She said, however, the man changed his mind and told her that she could not take his bank cards. Thuli said she told the client that he could not just sleep with him for nothing, so she took the All-Star shoes. The principal magistrate sent a stern warning to the young women against selling their bodies. "You are very young, you still have a chance in the marriage market so don't you go around selling yourselves so cheaply," warned the principal magistrate. The accused person in turn pleaded for leniency, saying they were drunk when the offence took place. When passing sentence, the principal magistrate sentenced the two to six months imprisonment with a fine option of E2 000 each.





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then go to the nearest labour office to claim what belongs to them. Beneficiaries have been urged to bring documentation that they are indeed the rightful beneficiaries. **See more of the beneficiaries in tomorrow's paper.**

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## 8 NATIONAL NEWS

# SWAMMIWA ADVISES EX-MINERS AGAINST USING AGENTS

Stories by Bahle Gama  
Mbabane

THE Swaziland Migrant Mineworkers Association (SWAMMIWA) has warned former mine workers to be wary of a South African agent claiming to be willing to assist them as regards processing their monies from the neighbouring country.

SWAMMIWA said former mine workers should act with caution against Leon Lincoln commonly known as Mr Lincoln, Mr Westcott, Donafin in association with Bossr Attorneys (Donafin) Brown Linc, Consulting, New Mindz and Tovasize of Eldaro Park or Kliptown, Gauteng, South Africa.

"SWAMMIWA received information that Mr Lincoln and Mr Westcott are rendering services to the public, including claiming of pension fund surpluses, registration for UIF and unclaimed benefits.

"We would like to clarify that the above-mentioned individuals are conducting an unregistered business and providing advisory and intermediary services without the necessary authorisation," said SWAMMIWA General Secretary Vama Jele.

Jele said neither Lincoln nor Donafin were authorised in terms of the Financial



CLARITY: SWAMMIWA General Secretary Vama Jele.

Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, 2002 (FIAS Act) to render any financial advice and intermediary services.

"As SWAMMIWA we are in no way involved or associated with the agent's offices in Manzini, Hlatsi, Matsanjeni, Sihlutse, Dlangeni and Khubuta."

Jele said SWAMMIWA had been fighting for the rights for access of unclaimed benefits since 2012 for former miners and their beneficiaries.

"We conduct this business without generating revenue from clients; it can be former miners, widows and orphans. Up to this far, SWAMMIWA has worked

with the Mineworkers Provident Fund, Living Hands Umbrella Trust, Sentinel Retirement Fund, Fairheads Beneficiary Fund Compensation Commissioner for Occupational Disease (CCOD), Rand Mutual Assurance, NBC Umbrella Pension Fund and more.

"This resulted in unlocking E400 million," Jele said.

Jele further warned the public against using Alexander Forbes' claim form at a fee as on March 15. Alexander issued a statement warning people from paying any individuals who said they worked with them and asked money upfront to process their claim.

## Local ex-miners lose over E5.7 million

ABOUT 2 856 Emaswati have lost E5.7 million to the Lincoln and Westcott 'scheme'.

"Emaswati travelled all the way to Kliptown, Gauteng in buses and kombis to go and pay money. So far we have heard of buses, kombis and quantum travelling from Ntfonteni, Manzini and Nhlanguano that ferry these people," said SWAMMIWA General Secretary Vama Jele.

He said each person spent E300 on a claim form, E500 for transport and E1 200 on legal fees all amounting to E2 000. Most of them are unemployed thus borrowed the money and sold their cattle with the hope that they would receive a lump sum of money after claiming.

Jele said this is called an Advanced Fee Fraud, which is a form of fraud and one of the most common types of confidence trick.

"The scam typically involves promising the victim a significant share of a large sum of money, in return for a small up-front payment, which the fraudster requires in order to obtain the large sum which is what Mr Lincoln and Mr Westcott are doing."

Jele added that not every miner had money, but only those who did not claim or collect their savings at the time due to family disputes and other issues.

"The Ministry of Labour is handling the issue in terms of ensuring safety and proper channels to be used by the former-miners and their families to claim their money. Government has issued a list to 55 Tinkhundla whereby the individuals or families will go and fill up their details on a document and have the Inkhundla be their channel without having to pay a dime," said Jele.



## UNISWA student runs over 3 pedestrians, arrested

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi  
Manzini

A University of Swaziland (UNISWA) student has been arrested for contravening the Road Traffic Act after he lost control of the vehicle he was driving and ran over three people.

The accused, Sipho Tsabedze, appeared before Manzini Principal Magistrate David Khumalo yesterday.

He was charged with two counts; that of negligent driving, in that he drove negligently and ran over three people who were injured and admitted to Raleigh Fitkin Memorial

Hospital.

He was also charged with driving an unroadworthy vehicle. According to court records, the vehicle driven by the accused person had smooth tyres.

Tsabedze pleaded guilty to both counts. He said he was very sorry for the accident.

He admitted before court that the car tyres were smooth, which resulted in the vehicle failing to stop on time.

The accused told the court that the vehicle he was driving was not even his. He pleaded with the court to be lenient when passing sentence as he was just a student at UNISWA, who is self-sponsored and his

mother is the one paying for his tuition fees.

The accused said his parents had tried to make means to see to it that the injured parties were well taken care of in hospital. He said as a matter of fact, the victims were treated and discharged from hospital but he had not stopped checking on them just to make sure that they were doing fine. For negligent driving the accused was sentenced to 10 months imprisonment with a fine option of E2 000, for driving an unroadworthy vehicle he was sentenced to four months imprisonment with a fine option of E800.

## Taiwan ambassador back to his native country

By Sabelo Majola  
Mbabane

THE Republic of China on Taiwan Ambassador to Eswatini Thomas Chen has been successfully transferred back to his native country for medical attention.

Chen suffered a stroke and collapsed while in his office at the embassy on June 22, and he was rushed to hospital in South Africa.

The Embassy's Deputy Chief John Leon, who is currently heading the Taiwan Embassy in the kingdom in the absence

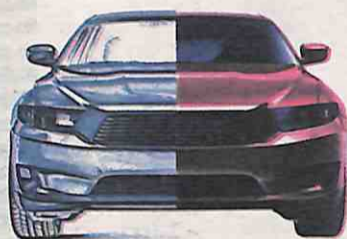
of Chen, said the ambassador (Chen) was transferred back to Taiwan this past weekend. He arrived safely and is recuperating in hospital. "The ambassador is under the best medical care in Taiwan after being transferred back there this past weekend and he is recovering well," he said.

Asked on the possibility of having Chen replaced as it was recently hinted by Department of West Asian and African Affairs Director-General Liu Bang-zyh, Leon declined to comment further on the matter, citing that it had not reach that stage. Liu

Bang-zyh was quoted by Taiwan media saying Chen needs more time to rest and recover.

Chen suffered a stroke and was admitted to the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) after losing consciousness in the neighbouring country and it was reported that he regained his consciousness after multiple days in the ICU. Chen has served as the ambassador to Eswatini since September 2013. He has previously served as deputy representative to Canada and head of the MOFA's Bureau of Consular Affairs.

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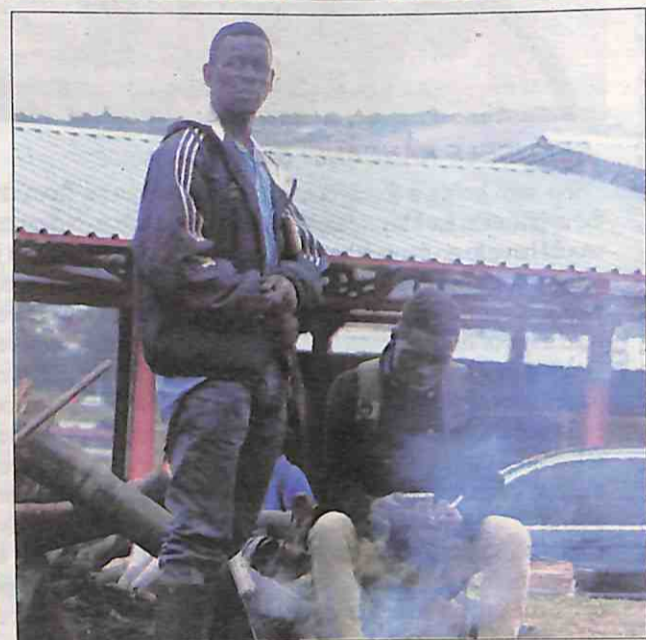
# ARMED AGAINST THE BITING COLD



**PREPARED:** Hats, hoods and bala-clavas were the order of the day around the city.



**NO CHANCE:** This lady was also dressed for the chilly weather yesterday.



**BEATING THE COLD:** These men enjoy the warmth of a fire in a bid to ward off the cold as temperatures continued to drop around the city yesterday. Hoods, jackets, hats and gloves were the order of the day. (Pics: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)



**COLD MEETING:** Some men fully dressed for the cold in a discussion next to the Four Square building.

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## GOVERNMENT PRESS STATEMENT NO.15: 2018 PAY FOR ELDERLY GRANTS

This statement is issued in response to an incorrect and very misleading article which appeared in the Times of Swaziland Sunday 15 July, 2018 insinuating that Government is mischievously converting the Swaziland National Provident Fund in order to access workers savings in the Fund to pay for elderly grants.

Government wants to refute this grossly irresponsible reporting and reassure the public, investors and all concerned stakeholders that the current Government has never at any point in time explored possibilities of abdicating its responsibility to pay for social grants, let alone dumping this responsibility at the Swaziland National Provident Fund. Payment of social grants is and will remain the responsibility of Government.

The contents of the article as regards the above is therefore not true and we do not know its basis, origin and intentions. Who so ever published this article was certainly not reading from the same document page as that which Government has. This said, however, it will be prudent on us to put the Swaziland National Provident Fund conversion story in proper perspective.

At the very inception of the Swaziland National Provident Fund, it was envisaged that once the asset base of the Provident Fund has grown to a level where it can sustain lifelong pension payments, the Provident Fund will be converted into a Pension Scheme that will cover present and retired members.

Actuarial valuations have confirmed that indeed the

Provident Fund has now reached a stage where it can convert into a Pension Scheme. Yes, there have been discussions on a broad range of issues to see how to structure the new pension scheme such that its mandate and membership is broader and includes workers previously left out, i.e. workers in the informal sector, seasonal as well domestic workers. The proposed legislation on the table has introduced innovative systems how these groups will be admitted into the pension scheme.

The actuarial valuations have proposed minimum value and period contributions' thresholds to qualify to be a member of the new pension scheme dispensation. Government interrogated the actuarial report with a view to ensure that all members of Swaziland National Provident Fund, irrespective of whether they are at entry level or about the exit, are assured of secured fair benefits in the new dispensation.

Discussions involving the Provident Fund and others are ongoing looking into how to recognize and appropriately reward past members of the Provident Fund in the new dispensation. The Provident Fund should benefit present and retired members, in particular. Modalities will be done and implemented immediately.

The Bill talking to the SNPF conversion and establishment of the Eswatini National Pension Fund was tabled to the 10th Parliament and was withdrawn by the Ministry of Labour and Social Security Portfolio Committee to allow for more consultations.

Percy N. Simelane  
15 July 2018  
Government Spokesman

## 10 NATIONAL NEWS

## '1 in 5 women are physically abused by their partners'

By Samkelisiwe Khoza Ezulwini

**AT least one in five women aged 15-49 are physically abused by their partners.**

While for men, the ratio is one in 200 men of the same age group having been abused by their wives or partners.

Also, one in three women experience sexual violence by the time they are 18 years old.

Deputy Prime Minister Paul Dlamini shared these findings of a study yesterday during a meeting on development partners forum on the strategy to end violence in Eswatini held at Royal Swazi.

**Violence**

Dlamini said drug use had impacted immensely on the escalating rate of gender-based violence in the country.

He said the prevailing incidence of gender based violence was of great concern, not only in the kingdom but globally.

The DPM said women and children due to a number of

variables were disproportionately affected by violence; globally 30 per cent of women had experienced physical or sexual violence by an intimate partner.

**Economy**

"Empirical evidence reveals that the economic costs of violence are high. In Uganda, violence costs the nation around US \$22 million, 0.7 per cent of gross domestic products (GDP), and in South Africa it costs them around R28.3 billion – R42.3 billion for the year 2012/2013, which is also ranging from 0.9 per cent and 1.3 per cent of GDP."

Dlamini added that similar studies to capture the economic impact of violence should be conducted in the country.

He said Eswatini was known as a peaceful country, however, the high incidence of violence had detrimental effects on peace and security, as well as its effects on human development prospects.

The DPM encouraged parents to counsel and nurture their children at an early stage,

especially on how to respect and love their partners when they were married.

He added that parents should never fight or have arguments in front of their children as children easily took what they saw.

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Dlamini said government, through support received from the different partners, had been able to engage in a number of activities in addressing the scourge of violence.

He said for the technical and financial support received from various development partners in the country, Eswatini was able to employ violence programmes such as the commission of the national study on the drivers of violence against children in Eswatini, the development of the national gender and development index.

He said there was the development of the national strategy to end violence, all these programmes were funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

## SANELE MAY ONLY LEFT WITH 8 MONTHS

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi Manzini

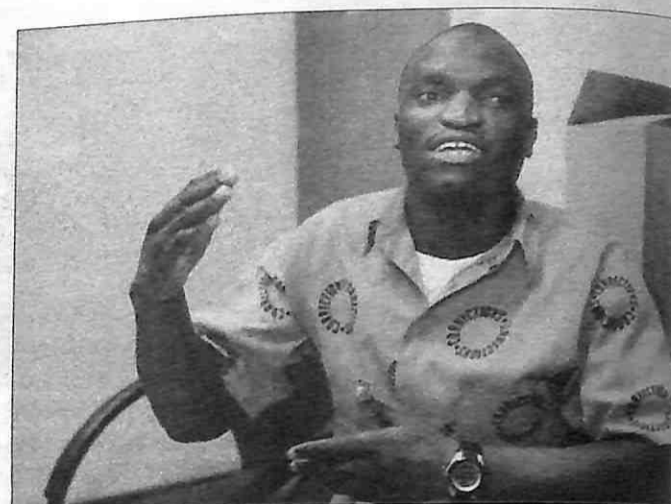
**PINETOWN accident truck driver Sanele May, who was sentenced to eight years imprisonment for killing 24 people on Fields Hill, Pinetown in 2013, is only left with eight months before he could gain his freedom.**

This is because, according to Sue Preller McAlpine, one of May's regular visitors in Umzinto Correctional Facility, May will have his first parole hearing in April 2019. McAlpine informed May's supporters on their official Facebook page that May was excited about his parole hearing.

He has spent six years in the South African prison after his arrest in 2013.

Every time he has visitors, he speaks a lot about his parole and looking forward to coming back into the country.

Another visitor of May, Carmen Duncan revealed that during her encounter with him (May), he spoke a lot about his parole, which is set for next year.



SEKUSELE KANCANE: Sanele May.

She said being a foreigner, the application for May's parole would have to go through home affairs for approval as well, which is something that might take a bit of time.

According to The Sun newspaper, parole means a prisoner is able to leave jail or be released from custody before the end of their sentence. It is a temporary release of a prisoner who agrees to certain conditions before the completion of the maximum sentence period. Conditions of parole often include things such as obeying

the law, refraining from drug and alcohol use, avoiding contact with victims, getting a job and meeting with a parole officer. May was driving the truck which crashed into several vehicles, killing 24 people in one of the worst accidents in South Africa. During the parole hearing, it is where it will be decided whether May is eligible to be out on parole or not. Even though May is arrested in a foreign land, he is getting support from South Africans who constantly visit him in prison with goodies.

## Driver with highest alcohol content plunges into river, fined E5 000

Stories by Sifiso Nhlabatsi Manzini

**A drunk motorist lost control of the vehicle he was driving and it plunged into Mzimnene River.**

The driver, Siphesihle Ginindza, was rescued by police officers working with fire and emergency personnel from the car which had plunged into the river on Friday night.

When police officers conducted a breathalyser test on him, his breath specimen read 1.05mg/l, which was way above the legal limit.

Ginindza was then taken to the Raleigh Fitkin Memorial (RFM) Hospital where he was treated and discharged.

He then appeared before Manzini Principal Magistrate David Khumalo, where he faced charges of driving under the

influence of alcohol and negligent driving.

Khumalo could not help but notice that out of all the cases that appeared before court yesterday under driving, while under the influence of alcohol, Ginindza's alcohol content was one of the highest.

The principal magistrate informed the accused that his breath specimen showed that he had way too much alcohol levels in his system.

In mitigation before the court, the accused pleaded for leniency, saying it was his first time to be involved in such an incident. He informed Khumalo that he had three children he is currently taking care of. The magistrate said considering the alcohol content on the accused, he would sentence him to two years imprisonment with a fine option of E5 000 for driving while intoxicated. On the other



**DRUNK DRIVER - Siphesihle Ginindza during his court appearance yesterday.**

charge of negligent driving, the accused was sentenced to six months imprisonment with a fine option of E800.

## Pedestrian in ICU after being knocked down

**AS people continue to have total disregard for the law and drive while under the influence of alcohol, innocent citizens continue to suffer the consequences.**

A pedestrian is currently fighting for his life in hospital after he was knocked down by a drunk driver.

Vusi Silindza, who is allegedly responsible for the accident,

has since been remanded to police custody. He appeared before Manzini Principal Magistrate David Khumalo. He was charged with three counts, the first one being that of driving under the influence of alcohol, the second charge is negligent driving in that the vehicle he was driving knocked down a pedestrian, who was seriously injured and admitted to hospital where he is currently in ICU. The third count

was that of negligent driving in that the accused person also rammed from behind another vehicle driven by Vama Nhleko. It is said two passengers who were in Nhleko's vehicle were seriously injured. The accused was remanded to police custody and advised to appear in court today (Tuesday) pending recovery of the complainants.



## CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO REVIEW AND DEVELOP STRATEGIC PLAN

1. The Swaziland Dairy Board (Est. under dairy act. 1968) invites proposals for the provision of consultancy services to review and develop Dairy Industry Strategic Plan.

2. Proposals to review and develop Strategic Plan shall be delivered at the SDB offices, 3rd Floor Enguleni House, 287 Mahleka Street, Manzini in a sealed envelope not later than **16:00hrs** on the **20th July 2018**. They should be addressed to:

**The Chief Executive Officer  
Swaziland Dairy Board  
287 Mahleka Street, Manzini  
3rd Floor, Enguleni House**

3. On the outside, the envelope shall be clearly marked:

**Swaziland Dairy Board  
Strategic Plan Review & Development**

4. The Swaziland Dairy Board does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any proposal.

# Motorist assaulted by drunk pedestrian

Stories by Sizwe Dlamini  
Pigg's Peak

**A motorist, Nhlanhla Dlamini, got the shock of his life after he was assaulted for driving along the main road, by a drunk pedestrian.**

Dlamini was assaulted when trying to remove Sandile Mhlongo (21) from the middle of the MR1 public road in Pigg's Peak.

The incident happened on Sunday evening in Pigg's Peak.

It is said Mhlongo, from Siteki, was

jaywalking in the middle of the road, blocking traffic.

While doing this, Dlamini then exited his car to remove the accused from the road. However, this then turned into an assault as the drunk pedestrian (Mhlongo) started slapping him on the face.

After the incident, Dlamini reported the accused to the Pigg's Peak police who made a quick arrest.

Appearing in the Magistrate's Court yesterday, Mhlongo said he was a first time alcohol drinker.

"I had consumed alcohol for the first

time and only had four bottles of Castel with my friends. After doing this, I then went crazy and ended up on the main road. It was not my intention to do so. I have two girlfriends; one who I have dated for four years now and another who I have dated for eight years. Please allow me to go back to Siteki so I can see them again," he said.

This response amused Senior Magistrate Siphosini Dlamini who told the accused that he would be sentenced on Friday for both charges of the assault and jaywalking.

## WOMAN CLAIMS COPS ASSAULTED HER

**A woman arrested for theft claimed that police assaulted her and further planted a knife in her clothes.**

Phephile Dlamini, who was arrested for theft at Vusweni, claimed that two female Pigg's Peak police officers assaulted her with batons on the head and then planted an okapi knife in her clothes at the police station.

Dlamini made these allegations in the Magistrate's Court yesterday.

She was first arrested last Monday for the theft of groceries from Steven Matsebula.

After the arrest, Dlamini was then taken to the police station where she then allegedly assaulted two female police officers who found her in pos-

session of an okapi knife.

After the police assault, Dlamini was then placed at the Pigg's Peak remand facility where she then called her family who told her (Phephile) to apply for bail during her next court appearance.

Yesterday, she was denied bail by Senior Magistrate Siphosini Dlamini.

"I cannot admit you to bail just yet as you are accused of theft and assault of two female police officers. You are also charged with the possession of an okapi knife," he said.

After hearing these charges, the accused who was in tears said she was assaulted by the two female police officers at the police station who then planted the knife in her clothes.

"I was assaulted in the waiting room at the police station by the two female police officers. The first one walked up to me and asked me why I was arrested? I could not answer her and this then led to her slapping me across the face. I stood up and slapped her back and she pulled out a baton and hit me on the head, body and neck.

"During the assault, another female officer joined in the assault with her own baton, her glasses fell off and we all stepped on them, causing them to crack," she said.

The magistrate advised the accused to present her evidence before Magistrate Sabelo Khumalo, who is responsible for her case.

### ONE LINE



**PARKED:** Wheelbarrows parked in a line while their owners keep close guard outside the maize milling at Siphocosini over the weekend. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)

## Cops caution public about taking bribes from criminals

By Sizwe Dlamini  
Pigg's Peak

**MEMBERS of the Royal Eswatini Police Service (REPS) in Pigg's Peak have urged members of the public to stop taking bribes from criminals to withdraw cases.**

Police believe that assault victims who often withdrew cases (assault) receive money from their aggressors. Once the victims receive money, they drop the cases. The police were speaking to this publication on Thursday after a man who was stabbed at a popular bar on

Tuesday went to the Pigg's Peak Police Station on Wednesday to withdraw an assault charge.

"We are having a serious problem with assault cases and this is because when an individual is assaulted, the very same individual runs to the police station to report the assault and is taken to hospital for treatment.

At the hospital, the assault perpetrator then runs to the victim to have an illegal meeting that finally results in the perpetrator paying the victim some money to withdraw the case.

Also, in many similar cases, the assault perpetrator might be in police custody

so the victim meets the perpetrator's relative or friend. In some minor cases, the victim does not even appear in court to testify and this results in the case to be dropped," they added.

Meanwhile, Chief Police Information and Communications Officer Superintendent Khulani Mamba said it was wrong for members of the public to withdraw assault cases as that perpetuated crime.

"People should stop withdrawing cases from the police as the criminals will continue to break the law knowing that they will never be arrested because they have money," he said.

## 'Selling on SNL should be considered'

Stories by Mbono Mdluli  
Ezulwini

**EMASWATI should consider selling land on Swazi Nation Land (SNL).**

This was said last week by Minister of Housing and Urban Development Phwayinkhosi Mabuza during the launch of the Sectional Titles Act, which took place at the Royal Swazi Spa Convention Centre in Ezulwini.

The minister acknowledged that at present, the sale of land on SNL was illegal as that land was held in trust for Emaswati by His Majesty King Mswati III.

However, the minister said it was a fact that people engaged in certain monetary transactions on SNL.

"Browse through any newspaper now, you will find people advertising land under SNL. This shows that they have realised the value attached to land nowadays," Mabuza said.

He said the criminalisation of sale of land under SNL somehow constrained Emaswati from having complete ownership of their

property.

He was aware that there were issues pertaining to lack of allegiance to chiefs.

He said Emaswati should get an opportunity to talk about this issue through forums like *Sibaya*.

Mabuza said in developed countries like Denmark, every Danish citizen had access to property ownership because their government realised that many people, especially the youth, had bright ideas on economic improvement.

However, the Danish people were let down by the fact that they did not have money to implement their bright ideas.

To make matters worse, most people from Denmark could not access financial services like loans because they did not have collateral.

That was how the Danish government arrived at a decision to enable all of its citizens to have complete ownership of properties at least through sectional titles.

That would be another strong reason why there could be a need for Emaswati to strongly interrogate this issue, according to Mabuza.

## HOUSING BOARD NOT SELLING MOBENI FLATS

**ESWATINI National Housing Board (ENHB) is not selling its Mobeni flats, at least for now.**

This was said by ENHB Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Mduduzi Dlamini last week during the launch of the Sectional Titles Act, which took place at Royal Swazi Spa Convention Centre in Ezulwini.

This means people who had been hoping to own sections of Mobeni Flats should put that dream on hold, for now.

Dlamini said they will not be able to sell their flats, even though the Act allowing them to do so was already in place.

He said before they could be

able to sell their flats, or sections of the flats, they had to consult with government, especially the ministry of housing and urban development, and see if they could be able to sell.

He said Mobeni Flats were a source of revenue to them as ENHB, to enable them to meet their obligations, which was to provide housing needs to the masses at affordable prices.

That was the reason why they still wanted to come up with a project of building 3 000 new housing units to enable affordable housing to ordinary citizens.

He did mention though that at some point, they would be able to sell sections of their properties.

## Minister has no desire to return to housing ministry

**MINISTER for Housing and Urban Development Phwayinkhosi Mabuza is not keen to return to this portfolio.**

Mabuza said this as he made what he termed his last presence at a public gathering as a housing minister.

He had learned a lot from the people he worked with and treasured some moments he had working as a minister in the housing portfolio, he noted.

However, the minister stated that he was not willing to return to the ministry because he was

now accused of wrong doing.

He said there were issues surrounding a certain urban government in the country where he was accused of having a hand in how the events had turned out recently.

Although the minister did not mention the local government, it became clear that he was talking about the impasse between Municipal Council of Mbabane Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Gideon Mhlongo and the councillors together with some of the ratepayers in the capital city.

# DD SUSPECT KNOCKS POLICE VAN

Stories by Sabelo Majola  
Mbabane Magistrate's Court

NGWENYA traffic police officers got more than they bargained for, when a drink-driver hit the van they were travelling in after being stopped.

Dumsani Mlotjwa, who resides in South Africa, appeared before Magistrate Nonhlanhla Dlamini on Sunday facing two counts.

He was slapped with driving under the influence of alcohol after a breathalyser conducted on him read 1.04mg/l and the second count was that of failing to stop his car which was speeding and further knocked the police van. In mitigation, Mlotjwa said he was in the country to fetch his children who had come to visit their grandmother and he had no intention of breaking the law.

"Your Worship I am very sorry, I don't usually drive after drinking alcohol and had no intention of breaking the law. I was only in the country to fetch my chil-

## Mbabane Citizens official nabbed for DD

NEWLY promoted national first division runners-up, Mbabane Citizens official Sifiso Magagula was nabbed for drink-driving.

Magagula, who is believed to be the Logistics Manager at Citizens, appeared before Senior Magistrate Nonhlanhla Dlamini.

He was slapped with two counts; that of driving under the influence of alcohol with his breathalyser recording 0.41mg/l and driving an unroadworthy car, a Ford Bantam, which had a faulty handbrake. Magagula, who also served as Mbabane Highlanders Kit Manager before jumping ship to join Citizens, said there was



a function at his parental home and he indulged in alcohol but went to sleep.

"The elders of the family sent me to the shops to get something for them and at the time, I thought the alcohol was no longer in my system.

It didn't hit me that I might be nabbed for drink-driving as I slept for long hours. I plead with the court to be lenient with me," he said. Senior Magistrate Dlamini sentenced Magagula to six months imprisonment with a fine option of E1 000 on the first count and he was sentenced to two months with a fine option of E300 for the second count and both counts would run concurrently, which means he paid a maximum E1 000 fine.

dren back to South Africa where they school," he said. Mlotjwa was sentenced to a year in a correctional facility with a fine option of E2 000 for the first count, and he was sentenced to three months with a fine option of E600 for the

second count. Both counts would run concurrently. Meanwhile, Mlungisi Sithole, who was nabbed at Lobamba for drink-driving, was sentenced to 15 months imprisonment with a fine option of E1 500. Sithole was driving a VW

Polo sedan when he was stopped by Lobamba police on Sunday night and his alcohol content was 0.89mg/l. He apologised for the offence and told the magistrate that it was a mistake that he does not intends to do again.



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

## Two lives lost in separate incidents

By Nozipho Sibiya  
Mbabane

**TWO lives were lost in separate accidents on Sunday alone.**

In the first accident, a two-year-old girl died after being run over by her own father as he reversed his truck. The accident happened on Sunday at Mbeka in Mankayane in the Manzini region. The toddler was reportedly playing at the family backyard when the father, aged 53, reversed and ran over her.

"It was tragic indeed because everything happened within a split of a second and the child was then rushed to Mankayane Government Hospital," said the source.

It was discovered that she sustained serious injuries and was certified dead by a medical practitioner on arrival. Chief Police Information and Communications Officer Superintendent Khulani Mamba confirmed the accident.

"At 13:00 hours at Mbeka, near a Maseko homestead, a Hyundai Mini-truck driven by a 53-year-old man of Qwaqwa in the Republic of South Africa reversed and ran over a two-year-old of baby girl of Qwaqwa," said Mamba.

Police are investigating the cause of the accident. Meanwhile, Mamba said another accident happened on Sunday whereby an unknown motor vehicle driven by an unknown person knocked down an unknown male.

"The pedestrian sustained serious head injuries and fractured his right arm and left leg and was rushed to RFM Hospital, where he was certified dead on arrival. Police are investigating the cause of the accident."

The accident happened along Mobezi/Ndlangane public road at Police Academy.

## STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

## Man assaults abusive girlfriend of 14 years

**GENDER based violence cases continue to escalate as two men have been arrested for assaulting women.**

Thami Ngwenya was arrested for assaulting his girlfriend of 14 years, Bonsile Dube, with fists all over the body with the intention of causing bodily harm at Mbabane on June 13.

The court heard that Dube has been abusive, which resulted to Ngwenya assaulting her as he was fed-up with her actions.

However, he did not reveal the kind of abusive he endured

at the hands of the complainant.

Senior Magistrate Nonhlanhla Dlamini asked Ngwenya if the complainant was his wife and the latter said she was not.

### Sentenced

"I fail to understand why you didn't just end the relationship with her if she is abusive instead of opting to assault her.

If anything, you should have come to the court to report a case of abuse not to assault her," she said.

Ngwenya was sentenced to a year in a correctional facility with a fine option of E1 000.

Meanwhile, in the same court, Sam Mazibuko was arrested for assaulting Sibongile Gama with open hands, kicking her all over the body with the intention of causing grievous bodily harm on July 12 at Nkhataba.

The unemployed Mazibuko seemed to have no remorse for his actions as he did not convince the magistrate to be lenient when given the chance to mitigate.

He was sentenced to a year in a correctional facility with a fine option of E1 000.

## ALL IS IN CONTROL



**ON GUARD:** A security guard talks to his friend while standing on top of a concrete barrier at the Mananga College gate yesterday. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)

## Housebreaking suspect beaten up by mob

By Mncedisi Dlamini  
Mbabane

**A housebreaking and theft suspect was heavily assaulted by a mob after discovering that he is the person who stole items valued at E14 850 from one of them.**

Velaphi Logwaja Nxumalo (38) of Lulakeni area under Chief Gasa Wangwane had his face visibly swollen and bruised as he appeared at the Mbabane Magistrate's Court before Magistrate Sifiso Vilakati who was conducting court proceedings.

Nxumalo is charged with housebreaking and theft.

On June 28, at or near Hawane area in the Hhohho region, the



**IN CHARGE:** Magistrate Sifiso Vilakati.

said accused person is alleged to have wrongfully and intentionally broken and entered a house belonging to Sindisiwe Simelane and stole items valued at E14 850, the property

of or in the lawful possession of Simelane.

Nxumalo, who was conducting his own defence, pleaded guilty to the charge laid against him.

The accused pleaded with Magistrate Vilakati to be remanded out of custody as he claimed to be still recovering from the said assault incident.

The accused was eventually granted bail by the magistrate which was set at E2 000, on condition that he does not interfere with state witnesses in the matter whether direct or indirectly.

He was further advised to appear in court whenever required to do so and not to be found to have committed a similar offence whilst the matter at hand is still pending in court.

# GOVT WON'T **STEAL** WORKERS' SAVINGS TO PAY ELDERLY GRANTS

By Sisho Magagula  
Mbabane

**GOVERNMENT** has refuted speculation that it is mischievously trying to convert the Swaziland National Provident Fund (SNPF) into a pension fund in order access workers' savings to pay elderly grants.

The story was carried by one of the local weekend publications, which claimed that government has concocted a grand plan to compel the country's entire workforce to shoulder the burden of paying grants for the elderly and vulnerable.

The goal, according to the newspaper, is to have the billions of Emalangeni in pension contributions and savings of all employees in the country channeled towards financing the social security services.

The conversion of the SNPF into a pension fund will come into effect through the strength of the Eswatini

National Pension Fund Bill of 2018. Government Spokesperson Percy Simelane has rubbished these allegations and said there was no such plan being hatched by government. In a statement, Simelane said government had never at any point in time explored this option.

"Government wants to refute this grossly irresponsible reporting and reassure the public, investors and all concerned stakeholders that the current government has never at any point in time explored possibilities of abdicating its responsibility to pay for social grants, let alone dumping this responsibility at the Swaziland National Provident Fund.

## Remain

"Payment of social grants is and will remain the responsibility of government," he said.

Simelane then explained the conversion of the public parastatal.

"At the very inception of the Swaziland National Provident Fund, it was envisaged that once the asset base of the

Provident Fund has grown to a level where it can sustain lifelong pension payments, the Provident Fund will be converted into a Pension Scheme that will cover present and retired members.

"Actuarial valuations have confirmed that indeed the Provident Fund has now reached a stage where it can convert into a Pension Scheme.

## Mandate

"Yes, there have been discussions on a broad range of issues to see how to structure the new pension scheme, such that its mandate and membership is broader and includes workers previously left out, i.e. workers in the informal sector, seasonal as well domestic workers.

"The proposed legislation on the table has introduced innovative systems how these groups will be admitted into the pension scheme," he said.

Simelane stated that the actuarial valuations have proposed minimum value and period contributions' thresholds to qualify to be a member of the new

pension scheme dispensation.

"Government interrogated the actuarial report with a view to ensure that all members of Swaziland National Provident Fund, irrespective of whether they are at entry level or about the exit, are assured of secured fair benefits in the new dispensation.

"Discussions involving the Provident Fund and others are ongoing, looking into how to recognise and appropriately reward past members of the Provident Fund in the new dispensation.

"The Provident Fund should benefit present and retired members, in particular. Modalities will be done and implemented immediately," he said. The government spin-doctor said the Bill talking to the SNPF conversion and establishment of the



**NOT TRUE:** Government Spokesperson Percy Simelane.

Eswatini National Pension Fund was tabled to the 10th Parliament and was withdrawn by the Ministry of Labour and Social Security Portfolio Committee to allow for more consultations.



**IN SUPPORT:** Some learners from Ekuhanyeni High School who attended the donation event at Indlela Yekuphila Restaurant. (Pics: Sifiso Nhlabatsi)



**THANK YOU:** Moya Kenyon the Head teacher of LaMawandla High School, receiving a soccer kit from Indlela Yekuphila Restaurant owner Michael Masuku, while Minister of Sports David Ngcamphalala looks on.

## EYA winner **donates** to schools

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi  
Manzini

**MINISTER** of Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs David 'Cruiser' Ngcamphalala has applauded Manzini-based businessman Michael Masuku of Indlela Yekuphila Restaurant for giving back to the community by assisting schools with donations.

Masuku donated soccer kits to two different schools and a soccer club from Emkhaweni Promotion League.

Masuku made the donation on Friday at his restaurant in the presence of the minister. He donated the soccer kits to two high schools, namely LaMawandla and Ekuhanyeni. Thuluzobona Football Club also got soccer kits. Speaking during the donation, the minister said other business people should follow in Masuku's footsteps and give back to the communities. Ngcamphalala said sports nowadays was vehicle for peace, job opportunities and also boosts tourism, hence it was crucial that it is taken seriously. He said if one took sports seriously and delivers, that person stood a



**POSE:** Beneficiaries posing with the Minister of Sports David Ngcamphalala and Indlela Yekuphila Restaurant owner after the donation of soccer kits on Friday.

chance when it came to job opportunities. The minister said government was pleased when there were business people who met schools half way in terms of support. He said sometimes government ran short of funds and as result schools lacked funds to get sporting material such as soccer kits.

"When business people make such donations, it goes a long way in assisting the schools and government." Meanwhile, Indlela Yekuphila Restaurant

owner Masuku, who also made his remarks during the donation, said it pleased them as business people when they saw schools supporting local enterprises.

He said he decided to assist where he could as sometimes government struggled when it came to funding schools. Head teachers who were present to receive the soccer kits on behalf of their schools expressed their happiness for the support shown by Masuku.

## GET COMMISSION FOR SELLING SIBANDA'S BOOK

By Mbono Mdluli  
Mbabane

**AUTHOR** Dr. Cleopas Sibanda has now resorted to giving commission to people who will help him sell his book.

Sibanda offered to give E50 as a commission to anyone who will sell the book titled "There is No Democracy At All in Government by Political Party Representatives."

The book sells at E250 and if you happen to recommend the book to anyone and that person buys it, you will be given E50 as commission by the author.

When asked why he opted for this kind of strategy, which is referred to as network marketing, he said he wanted to give an opportunity to members of the public to cash in as well.

He described this as a very good opportunity for ordinary citizens as they could make E500 by selling just 10 books. He further stated that he had planned to use this method of marketing his book from the day it was launched.

"It has always been like that ever since the book was launched. It is just that I used to deal with booksellers mostly but I am saying even general members of the public can cash in as well.

Sibanda said.

Sibanda's book was launched in December last year at Mbabane Theatre Club. He had written the book for about 10 years, before it was published last year.

He said what motivated him to write the book was the corruption

*"It has always been like that ever since the book was launched. It is just that I used to deal with booksellers mostly but I am saying even general members of the public can cash in as well"*

that took place in his home country, Zimbabwe.

He said he had been affiliated to a certain party, where loyalists to that party were considered at the expense of the general members of the public.

The author said political parties were divisive and were not good in being used to run a country.

He saw nothing democratic with political parties, hence he started looking for a system that would be used to run a country, without having to affiliate to any political party.

Sibanda only figured a democratic way in which democracy could be practised when he came to Eswatini in 2008. He said the Tinkhundla system of governance helped him realise that there could be a way in which people could be directly represented in a democratic way. He was quick to state that it did not mean the system was perfect as it was right now, but stated in his book on how the system could be perfected.

# RESIDENTS GRIPPED BY FEAR AS STRANGERS LITTER AREA

By Starsky Mkhonta  
Nhlanguano

**RESIDENTS of areas around Mbangweni, Nsongweni as well as Ngwabi are gripped with fear after claims that school children are followed by strange people.**

These areas are situated under Shiselweni II Inkhundla.

Some parents fear that their children could be targeted for ritual killing following numerous stories doing the rounds in the entire country about similar incidents. They fear that the individuals following the children on their way to and from school could be those aspiring to occupy any of the existing positions in the Inkhundla structure, come elections day.

Other reports are that two vehicles with South African number plates with tinted windows were now normally found along the road, which has also raised eyebrows to many residents, with some having even concluded that these were vehicles used by the strangers.

It's said the strangers usually park the cars in strategic points and would then waylay the children, especially on the way to and from school.

One of the residents from Mbangweni said there were also suspicions that the people behind this were well-known as they were from around some of the communities and were also believed to be interested in occupying some of the positions under the constituency structure.

"There are cases we have heard but not reported to the police where children returning home from school are chased after by unknown people. Children come home looking bewildered and when asked, sometimes they claim to have escaped from strangers who chased after them.

## Safety

It's no longer safe for these children to use the pathway especially in bushy areas, as we have heard that these strangers target our children in similar places and not in the open space such as the main road," alleged a woman, who called this newspaper last week.

The unidentified caller also alleged that it was likely that the strangers were those people involved in ritual murders especially during this stage of the elections.

"We are still not sure what is the intention but we have not ruled out that it

has to do with the elections, as this is what normally happens during this time.

"So far no child has been reported missing and we do believe authorities of this area are not going to take this lightly once such a matter is reported to them.

"Since this is happening to children, we don't think police are going to believe them. We need to take this up with them (police) as we are made to believe that some of those involved are people known in some of these communities," alleged the woman who called the newspaper.

The woman further alleged that not long ago, a woman employed in one of the textile companies, also escaped after she was chased by men she did not know.

"She was returning from work and it was already late.

"She was about to reach her home when she noticed people following her and when increasing the pace, she claimed the strangers did the same and that was when she decided to enter into another homestead where she sought refuge and this led to the strangers deciding to go back," alleged the woman.

## Elders of Mbangweni to investigate allegations

**MBANGWENI Umphakatsi leadership has not been made aware of allegations of strangers waylaying school children.**

Acting Chief Musa Matsebula said he had not been informed about anything to do with strangers frequenting areas under the chiefdom.

He said he still needed to contact all zone leaders or chief's runners to find out if they were aware of such claims.

"Nothing of such has been communicated to us. That, however, does not mean we are not going to act on such reports as they can be true.

"I am going find out from all the zone leaders and the community police if they know anything to do with this.

"We are then going to make means of how to get the culprits should we be informed that indeed the children's lives are in danger," said Matsebula.

Matsebula also advised parents or anyone who was aware of strangers in the communities involved in any dirty work.

"If parents feel their children are no longer safe, they should report this to the elders or approach the police. It's better to take up such an issue with the relevant

authorities before something else happens.

"In an issue like this, if there is a parent whose child reported to having been chased, she or he needs to come forward and action is to be taken.

"If there are people who are after the blood of innocent souls, they have to

be put where they belong, jail. While we still don't have any matter reported, we discourage any work of evil forces, not here at Mbangweni but all over the country.

"We rebuke such barbaric acts," said Matsebula.

**"Nothing of such has been communicated to us. That however does not mean we are not going to act on such reports as they can be true".**

## Chiefdoms must embrace CDP – Minister

Nozipho Sibiba  
Mbabane

**MINISTER of Tinkhundla Administration and Development Mduduzi Dlamini has urged chiefdoms to embrace the Chiefdom Development Plan (CDP) since it was meant to change the lives of people in their constituencies.**

The minister said this during the launch of Mafutseni Chiefdom Development Plan at Mafutseni Nazarene Primary School yesterday.

Minister Dlamini, who was represented by his Under Secretary-Nkululeko Dlamini, has advised project committees for each strategic area to ensure that the plan did not fail.

"Although the plan will be implemented within a five-year period, let us start now to work towards achieving its targets," he said.

Dlamini said the plan has had full participation of members of the community, who will be beneficiaries of the projects.

"May I take this opportunity and thank Chief Ngalonkhulu Mabuza, who has shown tremendous support for the chiefdom development plan (CDP) from the day we told him about it," he said.

He said the

chief had set a good example for everyone involved in this project and this had reflected that working together yield positive results.

He also thanked SWADE and the community development committee, as well as government officials for working tirelessly to ensure that this plan was a success.

The plan clearly stipulates that "by 2025, Mafutseni chiefdom shall be sustainably developed in all aspects, but not limited to socio-economic development."

He said this meant that all stakeholders and development partners should work

together to ensure that by this time the plan was implemented as it is the roadmap for this community.

"In order for this plan to be a success, let us all be aware that we need to follow the principles and values which have been set out to guide sustainable development in this community," he said.

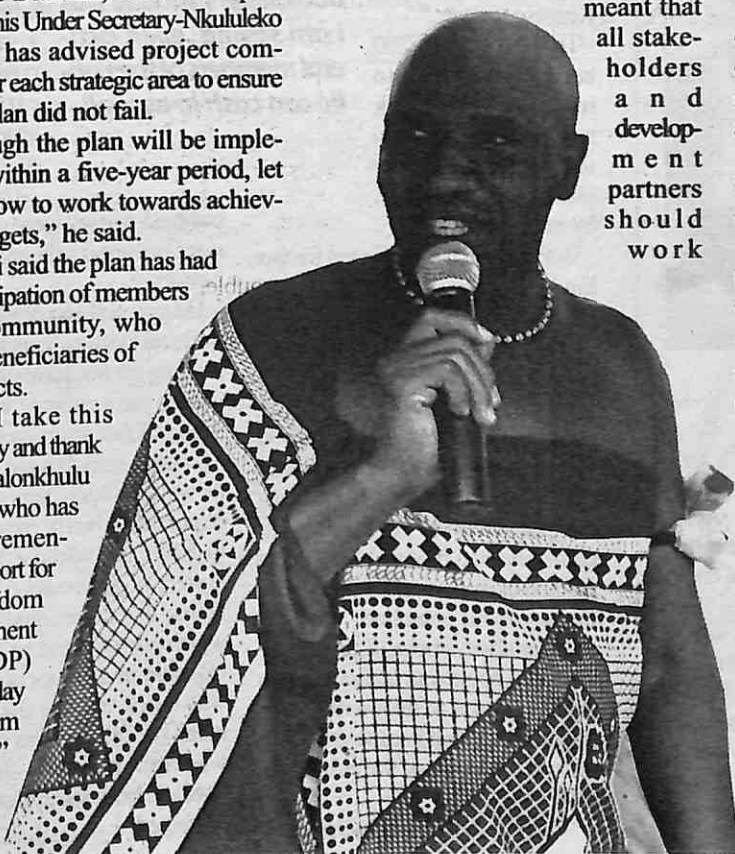
He said he had confidence in the plan because systematic assessment of the land was done so that all the land resources were used in order to meet the needs of the people in an environmentally friendly way.

"I am happy that the issue of climate change will be addressed by the development plan as it has affected this community during the drought season," he added.

Dlamini also mentioned that His Majesty's government was committed to supporting this plan, however, it was the responsibility of each member of the community to ensure that it was implemented as intended.

"The project committees for each strategic area should ensure that the plan does not fail. Although the plan will be implemented within a five-year period let us start now to work towards achieving its targets. The ministry of tinkhundla administration and development will be responsible for providing technical guidance in the implementation of the plan".

**URGED: Minister of Tinkhundla Administration and Development Mduduzi Dlamini.**



## Stench at Matsamo Border as public toilets without water

By Sizwe Dlamini  
Pigg's Peak

**MATSAMO border gate toilets have been without water for over seven days now, causing a terrible stench.**

The sticking toilets are on the Eswatini side.

So unbearable is the stink that one South African visitor literally vomited outside the border gate due to the overpowering smell of human excrement.

Speaking to this publication at the border gate, sources said they had been without water since last week Monday.

The story about the lack of water at the Matsamo border gate is an old one as in previous years the same thing used to happen. However, back then the border gate used to draw water from the South African side.

However, at the beginning of 2018 that deal changed after a borehole was drilled at Matsamo border, unfortunately, the borehole stopped operating in just three months' time.

Fortunately for Matsamo the Komati Basin Water Authority (KOBWA) had a generator that was being used on another project at Matsamo, which project had ended thus KOBWA donated the generator to the border gate," he said.

The donated generator was used to draw water from another source



**NOT IN MY SIDE: Principal Secretary in the Ministry of Home Affairs Anthony Masilela.**

through a pipe to the border gate. However, last week the generator experienced mechanical problems, leading to the lack of water in all the offices, including the public toilets.

"Currently we are turning people who wish to use the public toilets away because it is very embarrassing for us because Matsamo receives a number of tourists everyday coming into or leaving the kingdom," added a source.

Meanwhile, Principal Secretary in the Ministry of Home Affairs Anthony Masilela said all the border gates in the kingdom of Eswatini were regulated by the Swaziland Revenue Authority (SRA). At the time of compiling this story, the communications officer at SRA was not available for comment as his cell-phone was apparently off.

# MASEYISINI RESIDENTS GET FREE BUILDING MATERIAL

Stories by Starsky Mkhonta  
Nhlangano

**EYEBROWS** have been raised after a truck loaded with building material distributed it to residents of Masibini and Kadlovunga under Maseyisini Constituency.

While it could not be deduced as to who the 'generous' sponsor was, others claimed that the material was meant to be delivered to members of a scheme.

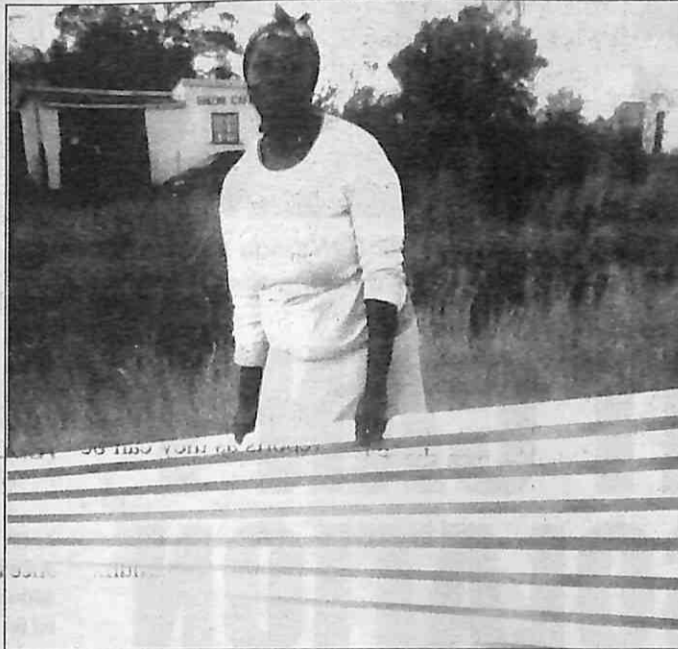
Some community members said they suspected some aspiring politicians, adding there was clearly a motive behind the sudden generous gesture.

It is said the consignment was dropped around local shops near Jojo where people were seen taking their share to their homesteads.

The material, which was distributed last Friday, included bags of cement, corrugated iron sheets, brick-force, toilet seats and other things.

Those who were found lined up as beneficiaries were given the material to use in their respective homes. One beneficiary received 10 bags of cement and other material including the corrugated iron sheets and toilet seats.

William Qwabe from Evusweni



**I GOT MINE:** One of the residents carrying her corrugated iron sheets.

said he was taken aback when he saw the consignment and at first he thought the truck had been hired by someone.

"I later learned that the consignment will be distributed amongst residents. However, what worried me was that why was it done in the 'street' as if it was meant for a scheme, that should be done at the *inkhundla* or at the *umphakatsi*. I suspect that someone is up

to some thing and it is possible that it's one of the politician hopefuls. If it is a donation from an organisation, there should have been a better way of distributing the material to those meant to benefit from it and not just along the road," said Qwabe, one of the vocal residents of Evusweni.

Qwabe said even the timing of distribution was wrong as the 'sponsor' should have waited until

the elections were over or even better, it should have been done way back. "The way the distribution has been conducted has raised eyebrows as we all know what is happening these days. If this was a genuine distribution from a sponsor, it should have been done at the *inkhundla* or in those chiefdoms where the members of the said scheme reside from. We suspect the donor has some ulterior motives. Dishing out material at this time makes everyone suspicious. With 10 bags of cement, you can build a complete house and if this was a sponsorship, we hope it's a clean one and we are eager to know who is involved," said Qwabe.

Elders of Evusweni *Umphakatsi* also confirmed having heard about the distribution of building material which occurred in the neighbouring communities of KaDlovunga and Masibini.

"We have heard that a truck loaded with building material was spotted near Jojo. Apparently, the material belonged to members of a scheme from these two areas; Jojo and Masibini. However, we still don't know the motive behind the distribution along the road and the person or people behind that," said Evusweni Indvuna Reggie Lukhele.

said Qwabe.

Qwabe said he was ready to lead the ACC or anyone to be tasked to investigate the matter to different homesteads.

"I can take the investigators or anyone to some of the families which received the material I am talking about. I insist that this is a matter which needs to be investigated to find out the truths about it," said Qwabe.

"I am ready to assist the ACC should the need to investigate arise.

The Elections and Boundaries Commission (EBC) has to be alerted that such a thing has happened.

It's clarity that we need or else we will suspect that someone was doing it with a purpose,"

## Resident wants issue investigated

**WILLIAM Qwabe, a resident of Evusweni, says the distribution of building material to residents of KaDlovunga and Masibini should be probed.**

Qwabe said as this year's elections are underway, he suspected that an aspirant was behind the distribution.

"If NGOs are behind this, then

they should explain how this happened. It can be people assisting genuinely but the way this has happened, it has raised suspicions," said Qwabe.

Qwabe said he was more than prepared to assist the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) should the matter be reported to that body.

## Nhletjeni High pupils locked out of school

By Starsky Mkhonta  
Nhlangano

**PUPILS** who arrive late even by a minute at Nhletjeni High are locked out for a long time and miss a number of periods in class, it is alleged.

The school starts its classes at 7:30am and closes at 3:15pm.

It is said late coming, no matter the reason, is not tolerated and at times corporal punishment is meted on the late comers.

However, what infuriates the pupils is that even if they could be at the gate a minute late, they are not allowed inside.

The parents have also been alerted about the situation and others are now considering approaching the school's authorities to establish the truth of the matter.

It's reported that as a result of the decision to lock out the pupils, others end up loitering in town or around the area and only go home when it's time for all the pupils to be released at 3:15pm.

"It's been happening for a long time where any pupil arriving late is not allowed inside the school even if he or she is a minute late. At times pupils miss classes as lessons proceed even when others are not in class.

There are subjects whose period are 40 minutes and others 35 minutes and it happens that you miss all the periods because you arrived at school a minute late," said a pupil.

It's said other pupils, once they see the teachers closing the gates, do not even bother to wait at the gate but would simply leave.

It's said parents now also want an explanation if such was allowed in any institution as it would be understood that pupils are punished for being late by hours and not minutes.

"We do tell our parents about the matter but some do not believe it's actually happening. They think we are creating stories and feel we do not want to go to school each time we tell them that there are certain periods we do not learn because of being locked out," said another pupil.

### Impacting

A parent who was contacted said he heard that the administration of the school was doing things that seemingly were impacting negatively on the children.

"If the children find the gates, locked they then think of alternative places where they could while away time until the rest of their schoolmates are free to home.

Others end up being tempted to do evil things, including associating themselves with bad company where they can find themselves landing into trouble.

We do not condone late coming late but the administration should be reasonable. To punish the children by locking the gates just because they are late is madness.

It may look minor but if you think about those children who decide to leave and end up engaging in other activities, then one would know how serious this matter is.

For female pupils, they are in danger of falling pregnant while for the males, they could easily engage in criminal activity such as joining gangsters because of losing interest in their learning," said a parent.

Principal of the school Busi Shongwe did not answer her cellphone on several occasions when efforts were made to get her comment.

Her Deputy Jabulani Mayisela's cellphone, on the other hand, was not available on the MTN network.

## LOST AND FOUND

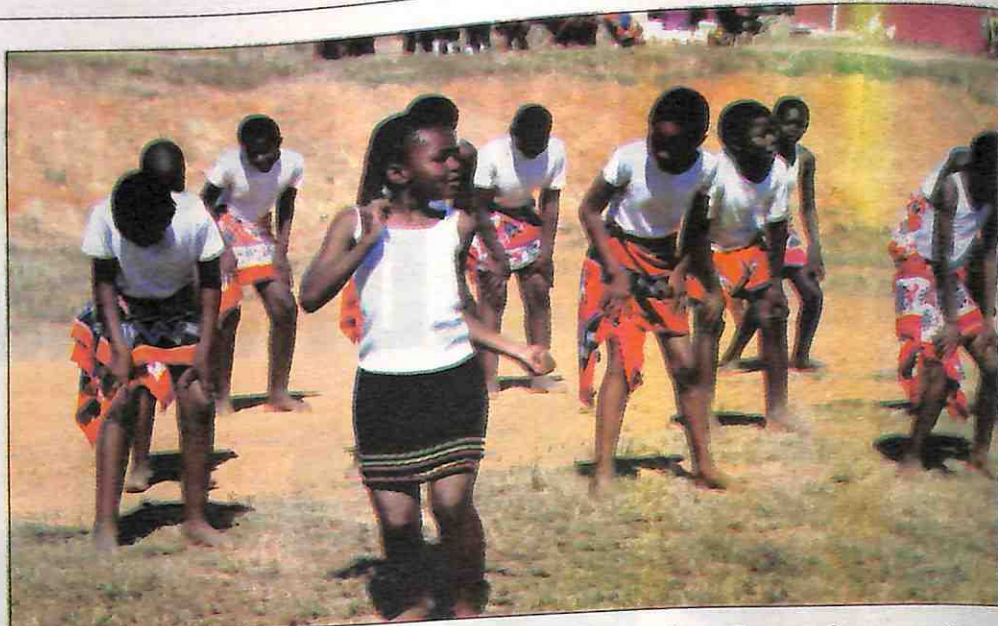


**ONE DOWN:** Police officers in full swing while a hat laid unattended during the pass-out parade held at the Police Academy last Friday. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)

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**LEADERS:** Ministers Moses Vilakati and Christopher Gamedze with Prince Lukhwabitsi II during the launch of KaNdinda CDP. (Pics: Samkelisiwe Khoza)



**ENTERTAINERS:** KaNdinda Primary School African Dance Group entertaining the crowd during the community's CDP launch.

# DEVELOPMENT CAN'T SUCCEED IN ISOLATION

By Samkelisiwe Khoza  
KaNdinda

**MINISTER of Tourism and Environmental Affairs Christopher Gamedze says it is important for government, donors and communities to work together for the betterment of Eswatini as development will never succeed in isolation.**

Speaking during the launch of KaNdinda Chiefdom Development Plan (CDP) held in the area's primary school, the minister said government was appreciative of the Strengthening of the National Protected Areas System of Eswatini (SNPAS) programme.

He said it was participatory, sought to accommodate competing land uses and engage local communities in natural resource management with the aim of encouraging community participation, sustainable utilisation of natural resources and establishing livelihood programmes. Gamedze said the country was signatory to a number of conventions, including the convention on biological diversity (CBD).

The minister said the fact that biodiversity conservation and sus-



**UNITED COMMUNITY:** A section of KaNdinda community following proceedings.

tainable development could not be separated should not be ignored.

## Survive

This he said was because the world would not survive without nature and nature could not survive if natural resources are not used sparingly.

"I am very pleased that the KaNdinda Chiefdom has managed to integrate biodiversity conservation in their CDP. Not only has it been able to identify the main

causes of biodiversity degradation in the strategic document, but have also detailed ways in which you will control and combat it," he said.

## Protected

He said the country's intention was to use protected areas as means for ensuring efficient biodiversity conservation, ecosystem rehabilitation, eco-tourism, mitigate against climate change effects and desertification.

The minister said these initiatives would contribute to the improvement of people's livelihoods through ecosystem services such as food provision. Gamedze commended KaNdinda for striving into reintroducing indigenous plant species and strengthen policies that would ensure protection of natural flora.

He said the initiative would go a long way towards ensuring that the country continues to protect its natural plant and animal species.

## Tinkhundla minister pleads for the success of CDP

**MINISTER of Tinkhundla Administration and Development Mduzuzi 'Small-Joe' Dlamini has pleaded for assistance in the implementation and success of the planned projects on the CDP.**

He urged government, development partners and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) to assist the country.

"The CDP document will guide KaNdinda in the planning, strategising and monitoring of the projects and development programme. This, however cannot be achieved without the assistance of government, NGOs and development partners," he said through Under Secretary Nkululeko Freeman Dlamini.

He further appealed to government ministries and stakeholders to support and advocate for the project at community level and encouraged the participation of the community members to enhance ownership.



**PLEADS:** Ministry of Tinkhundla Administration and Development Under Secretary Nkululeko Freeman Dlamini.

## Prince Lukhwabitsi II praises KaNdinda for hard work

**KANDINDA Chief Prince Lukhwabitsi II has praised the community for working tirelessly from the planning of the community's CDP projects to its launch.**

"Where there is no vision, there is no success," he said.

He said the CDP did not belong to the donors and development partners, but to the community

who would benefit when the plan and projects were implemented.

He said the launch did not mean the community had achieved their dreams but it was the beginning of hard work. The chief vowed to stand by his community as they strive to achieve their vision 2030, which includes a police post, clinics, cultural village and community lodge to mention a few.



**SIBHACA:** KaNdinda Primary School Sibhaca entertaining the crowd during the launch of the community's CDP.



**FULL SWING:** KaNdinda Lutsango performing.



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## WORKPLACE BULLYING

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**BULLYING** can manifest in many facets and that is: verbal, physical, social and psychological.

Whatever form or shapes it takes, it is not acceptable especially among grown ups in the work environment. Workplace bullying breeds a negative culture in the organisation and it tends to affect productivity negatively.

Bullying can be frustrating when it happens among grown ups.

The majority of workplace bullying tends to go unreported because often the perpetrator has power to make the environment worse should those bullied report the bully to superiors.

At times, it happens that a clever bully twists company policies to perpetuate the evil in his heart pretending to be enforcing policies.

Workplace bullying can happen in any type of workplace, from offices to shops, cafes, restaurants, workshops, community groups and government organisations.

### Bullying is any use of force to intimidate co-workers

Bullying is the use of force, threat, or coercion to abuse, intimidate or aggressively dominate others. The behaviour is often repeated and habitual.

One essential prerequisite is the perception, by the bully or by others, of an imbalance of social or physical power, which distinguishes bullying from conflict. It typically involves subtle methods of coercion, such as intimidation.



Behaviours used to assert such domination can include verbal harassment or threat, physical assault or coercion, and such acts may be directed repeatedly towards particular targets. Rationalisations of such behaviour sometimes include differences of social class, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, appearance, behaviour, body language, personality, reputation, lineage, strength, size or ability.

### Defining bullying

There is no universal definition of bullying, however, it is widely agreed upon that bullying is a sub-category of aggressive behaviour characterised by the following three minimum criteria:

- (1) Hostile intent
- (2) Imbalance of power and
- (3) Repetition over a period of time.

Bullying may thus be defined as the activity of repeated, aggressive behaviour intended to hurt another individual, physically, mentally or emotionally.

Olweus (2002) says bullying occurs when a person is "exposed, repeat-

edly and over time, to negative actions on the part of one or more other persons".

He says negative actions occur "when a person intentionally inflicts injury or discomfort upon another person, through physical contact, through words or in other ways."

Individual bullying is usually characterised by a person behaving in a certain way to gain power over another person.

Workplaces tend to have verbal and emotional bullying and it includes:

- Calling names
- Spreading rumours
- Threatening somebody and making fun of others

### Workplace bullying

Workplace bullying occurs when an employee experiences a persistent pattern of mistreatment from others in the workplace that causes harm.

Workplace bullying can include such tactics as verbal, non-verbal, psychological, physical abuse and humiliation.

This type of workplace aggression is particularly difficult because, unlike the typical forms of school bullying,

workplace bullies often operate within the established rules and policies of their organisation and their society.

Bullying in the workplace is in the majority of cases reported as having been perpetrated by someone in authority over the target. However, bullies can also be peers, and occasionally can be subordinates.

### Verbal, relational bullying most prominent in the workplace

Verbal bullying is one of the most common types of bullying that happen in the workplace. In verbal bullying, the main weapon the bully uses is their voices.

Some managers and supervisors can use verbal bullying, as well as social exclusion techniques, to dominate and control colleagues and show their superiority and power.

However, there are many managers and supervisors that are subtle enough to use verbal techniques for domination, and who are practiced in using words when they want to avoid the trouble that can come with physical-

ly bullying someone else.

Relational bullying also happens in the workplace and that is bullying that is done with the intent to hurt somebody's reputation or social standing which can also link in with the techniques included in physical and verbal bullying.

Relational bullying is a form of bullying that should be common amongst youth, but work mates at times resort to that when they have issues. Relational bullying can be used as a tool by bullies to both improve their social standing and control others.

Unlike physical bullying which is obvious, relational bullying is not obvious and can continue for a long time without being noticed.

Bullying can be concealed or obvious. It may be missed by superiors or known by many throughout the organisation.

Negative effects are not limited to the targeted individuals, and may lead to a decline in employee morale and a change in organisational culture, hence making it necessary that leaders need to take note of bullying and deal with it in the open as and when it shows up in the organisation.

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...JULY 17

1212 - The Moslems were crushed in the Spanish crusade.

1453 - France defeated England at Castillon, France, which ended the 100 Years' War.

1785 - France limited the importation of goods from Britain.

1815 - Napoleon Bonaparte surrendered to the British at Rochefort, France.

1821 - Spain ceded Florida to the U.S.

1862 - National cemeteries were authorized by the US government.

1866 - Authorization was given to build a tunnel beneath the Chicago River. The three-year project cost US\$512,709.

1867 - Harvard School of Dental Medicine was established in Boston, MA. It was the first dental school in the US.

1898 - U.S. troops under General William R. Shafter took Santiago de Cuba during the Spanish-American War.

1917 - The British royal family adopted the Windsor name.

1920 - Sinclair Lewis finished his novel "Main Street."

1941 - The longest hitting streak in baseball history ended when the Cleveland Indians pitchers held New York Yankee Joe DiMaggio hitless for the first time in 57 games.

1941 - Brigadier General Soerell directed Architect G. Edwin Bergstrom to have basic plans and architectural perspectives for an office building that could house 40 000 War Department employees on his desk by the following Monday morning. The building became known as the Pentagon.

1945 - US President Truman, Soviet leader Josef Stalin and British Prime Minister Winston S. Churchill began meeting at Potsdam in the final Allied summit of World War II. During the meeting Stalin made the comment that "Hitler had escaped."

1946 - Chinese communists opened a drive against the Nationalist army on the Yangtze River.

1950 - The television show "The Colgate Comedy Hour" debuted featuring Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis.

1954 - The Brooklyn Dodgers made history as the first team with a majority of black players.

1955 - Disneyland opened in Anaheim, CA.

1960 - Francis Gary Powers pled guilty to spying charges in a Moscow court after his U-2 spy plane was shot down over the Soviet Union.

1966 - Ho Chi Minh ordered a partial mobilization of North Vietnam forces to defend against American air strikes.

1975 - An Apollo spaceship docked with a Soyuz spacecraft in orbit. It was the first link up between the US and Soviet Union.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Jeremih Felton - (Pop Singer) - July 17, 1987 (31 years old)



Gangsta Grandma - (Music star) - July 17, 1929 (89 years old)

# Trump baby balloon: Why humour is such a powerful form of protest

**AN inflatable "baby" Donald Trump was the star attraction in London as protestors took to the streets to register their dissatisfaction with the visit of the US president on July 13.**

Protestors have much to motivate their mobilisation against Trump: from the controversial separation of families at the US-Mexican border, to his misogyny, nepotism and travel ban. Tens of thousands are expected to attend a "Stop Trump" rally in what organisers have described as a "carnival of resistance".

Humour, in the forms of chants, performances, satire, cartoons, theatre, jokes, memes and puns, has a long tradition in protest movements. It acts as a vehicle to communicate ideas, as well as to foster a sense of community – it can cut across linguistic barriers, and increase the resonance of the message.

All protests have a target, something or someone to galvanise others to action. The goal of the crowd-funded inflatable is to annoy the famously thin-skinned president. The six-metre tall balloon depicts Trump as a snarling baby in a nappy with tiny hands and moobs. Its purpose is not to change laws or policies, nor to influence his decisions. It is meant to mock and to undermine, suggesting the president is infantile, full of hot air, cartoonish and ridiculous.

Humour is empowering because it establishes those who are in on the joke and those who are the object of it. The balloon signifies an attempt to take back control and to undermine Trump. Whether he is aware of the balloon – and surely this media-



**BALLOON:** Activists inflate a giant balloon depicting US President Donald Trump as an orange baby during a demonstration against Trump's visit to the UK in Parliament Square in London. (AFP)

obsessed president will be – is neither here nor there because mocking Trump is not just about annoying him. It fosters a sense of belonging between protestors and invites others to join.

## CATHARSIS

The use of ridicule in this way confirms the public's relative weakness vis-à-vis governments, multi-national corporations and world leaders. But satire and humour foster a sense of solidarity in the face of adversity. For those of us exasperated by the actions of the Trump administration appearing in our daily news feed, mocking Trump is not just a

sneer – it gives us a sense of power, at least for a moment.

Mocking strongman leaders is a cathartic exercise and one favoured by protestors around the world, particularly in authoritarian regimes. In response to Vladimir Putin's repressive treatment of LGBTIQ people in Russia, including the notorious anti-gay propaganda law of 2013, a neon Warhol-esque image of Putin in full make-up replete with lipstick was widely shared across social media.

The image became so ubiquitous that Kremlin officials worried that the Russian president's sexual orientation would be called into ques-

tion and in 2017, the Russian justice ministry banned the image. However, Kremlin-approved images of the masculine Russian leader shirtless on horseback remain in circulation.

## THE AESTHETICS OF PROTEST

As I have argued in my work on the aesthetics of protest, protestors make aesthetic choices when communicating their ideas and this is bound up with the visual framing or staging of protests. Protest aesthetics are the visual and performative elements of protest, such as images, symbols, graffiti, art, humour, as well as the choreography of actions in public spaces. Protestors employ artistic forms which often retain a creative and handmade quality, frequently enlisting popular culture tropes such as the V for Vendetta mask of Guy Fawkes which has become emblematic of the Occupy and Anonymous protests.

While conventional forms of democracy, such as political party membership or voting, have declined around the world, political voices are now increasingly being expressed and performed through a variety of textual, visual and graphic forms. We're witnessing an opening up of a public space for dissent, facilitated by protest movements and social media, which expands the range of voices which can be heard by those in positions of power. So humour, democratically conceived and expressed in ways such as a giant Trump balloon, allows our voice to be heard.

- Aidan McGarry, Reader in International Politics, Loughborough University - *The Conversation*

## Not 'weakness', but lack of set agenda that's undermining Ramaphosa

**EXPECTATIONS for Cyril Ramaphosa's presidency have crashed much quicker than was the case even with former president Jacob Zuma, who had been controversial from the outset.**

After becoming the president of South Africa in 2009, Zuma enjoyed the undeserved benefit of the doubt from the public for much longer than Ramaphosa has. It took almost a full term for South Africans to realise that it was foolish to keep believing that Zuma knew what he was doing as the president.

This great nation of believers often take time before they change their minds about someone, despite mounting evidence that the person they are looking at is not their saviour, but a freelance robber who happens to be in politics. With Ramaphosa, however, the tide seems to be turning quicker against the man, even among my colleagues who are raising serious doubts about the idea that he is in charge.

The old picture of Ramaphosa appearing to be kneeling before King Goodwill Zwelithini and the ANC's turnabout on the party not touching the land in the king's Ingonyama Trust are some of the developments that show that Ramaphosa is always too ready to compromise and appears

not to be guided by principles as a leader; he just gets by!

Compared to previous presidents, it is too early for Ramaphosa to have to come forth and say, "I am not weak," and "I am not the dictator of the ANC". Neither Thabo Mbeki nor Zuma ever had to explain to the public that they were in charge. The two presidents were so much in charge that they were accused of being too much in charge.

When Mbeki and Zuma respectively stopped being in charge of their party, they were kicked out of government before the end of their terms. One knew when they were in charge, and when they were not. It was as clear as day and night.

The difficulty with Ramaphosa's administration is that it seems to be committed to satisfying everyone at the same time and with equal measures of happiness.

This is difficult to achieve and is creating a situation where he does not appear to have his own agenda. If Ramaphosa had an agenda with a set of goals – some which were considered almost non-negotiable – then he would have had at his disposal criteria for navigating through competing special interests by various groups aimed at benefitting from his leadership.

But if the president is navigating special interests without his own solid agenda, it will ultimately appear that he's not in charge.

It's one thing to manage competing interests so as to avoid a crisis or total meltdown of the system, but it's quite another thing altogether to implement a clear agenda amidst competing interests. When a clear agenda is being implemented, special interests and the voice of lobbyists gets neutralised and the leader does not get associated with either side competing to influence government.

For example, you cannot be 100 per cent in support of labour today and maintain you are 100 per cent in favour of labour law deregulation tomorrow. Principles should dictate a leaning towards one side of the divide. Of course, there is what is considered the "low hanging fruit", called anti-corruption, an agenda that can help Ramaphosa to show he's not weak.

The problem with an anti-corruption agenda is that it remains highly politicised within the ANC, and it has given rise to a formidable political project that seeks to label each and every corruption related investigation a witch hunt by those who are using state institutions.

Ramaphosa's cabinet reshuffle earlier this year was a confession by the president that he cannot pick too many fights at the same time and that he settled to retain some of the ministers who were implicated in state capture. Therefore, anti-corruption is off the table as something that could give shine to Ramaphosa's presidency thus far.

It is very important for Ramaphosa to demonstrate that he is indeed in charge. This is not asking him to behave like Pol Pot and unleash a reign of terror upon detractors and political opponents. Ramaphosa must implement his agenda and ensure that it rises above special interests.

Such an agenda should be communicated thoroughly. It is not useful to improvise every day and manage one crisis from another without a long-term agenda as to what is the grand vision.

Oh, and the idea of "thuma mina" does not in my books count as an agenda. It's just one of those phrases like "all hands on deck", as if anything will be done differently had no one chanted the phrase!

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# OBAMA - AN ANTITHESIS OF MANDELA'S VALUES

AAYESHA SONI AND  
EBRAHIM FAKIR

As South Africans, we are ashamed that the war mongering human rights abuser Barack Obama has been called upon to honour a man whose struggles have contributed to allowing us to live freely in South Africa today.

Whenever visiting a foreign country, upon enquiry by a local as to where we come from, the response "South Africa" elicits an immediate and enthusiastic response: "Nelson Mandela!"

This is frequently followed by a ramble, usually in broken English, interspersed with expressions in a language we don't understand. But the kernel of the message, albeit in broken English, is universally the same. The recognition of struggle and sacrifice, for freedom, liberation and human rights. Mandela is globally synonymous with the timeless humanist ideals of: truth, honour, justice, rights, equality, redistribution, fairness, forgiveness, tolerance and peace. These are the most traditional of values, but also the most radical virtues of the "good society".

This year marks the centenary of the birth of this remarkable leader, who despite many failings in government, established the foundation stone on which to advance the "good society" in South Africa, and through his influence, globally. He should be celebrated by a person who not only understands and imbibes his values, but who attempts to emulate the manner in which he lived and led.

It is bewildering then, that those entrusted with Mandela's legacy have chosen someone who is as far from Mandela's values and ideals, as Barack Obama is, to honour his legacy.

If we scratch beneath the surface of the soaring oratory, and slick public relations image of the rhetoric of reform and "struggle" that supposedly characterises Obama being the first black president of the United States, an entirely different picture of Obama emerges. Domestically, in the US Obama was in reality a failure in delivering the hope and change rhetoric that inspired his "yes, we can" ascent to the US presidency.

Instead, it left Americans hopeless and with little change. In America, he traded small bits of social mobility for a limited number of people, in order to largely preserve the unequal status quo. While Obama inherited a broken economy, he stabilised it, reformed the banking sector, stabilised the US housing market and presided over an expansion in jobs, reducing unemployment to 7 per cent. But the benefits of these continued to largely advantage the already bloated finance sector already grown fat on the indiscretions of rapacious American capitalism.

He attempted universal health insurance cover for Americans but left a whopping 40 per cent of working class Americans uninsured, even after his Obamacare Act which has subsequently been reversed and further eroded by Trump. On economic growth



DUO: Tata Madiba and former US president Barack Obama.



he sustained modest increases which, unfortunately for the rest of the world, came at the cost of skewed tariff and trade rules together with the usually attendant US bullying. South Africans should know. They were badgered by Obama into buying unwanted chicken from the leftovers in the US market.

## OBAMA MORE INTERVENTIONIST THAN BUSH

Internationally, Obama represented the smiling face of murder, mayhem, war and destruction. As commander in chief, Obama bombed seven countries during his eight years in office. Awarded the Nobel Peace Prize mere months into his tenure, it is significant that with the benefit of hindsight, many of his own supporters believe the award was "a mistake".

He received the prize in the hope that he would be fundamentally different from his predecessor, George W Bush. Paradoxically, Obama was even more interventionist than Bush. US military data from 2016 shows that the US dropped more than 26 000 bombs in seven countries resulting in the deaths of 3797 people, a number most international organisations agree is grossly underestimated.

Obama embraced drone attacks with alacrity, authorising 506 known drone strikes, compared to the 50 under Bush. He initiated "targeted assassinations", even of US citizens. Drones are nothing short of killing machines, instruments of effecting the death penalty without any due process. In his seminal work, "Crimes Against Humanity", Geoffrey Robertson asserts that the killing of Anwar Awlaki and his 16-year-old son through a drone strike in Yemen violated the Fifth Amendment of the US constitution.

To be sure, American trade and growth numbers were bolstered by Obama, but it is significant that a large portion of this was through dramatically increasing US weapons exports, earning Obama the ignominy of being the greatest arms exporter since World

War II.

## MANDELA LIVED THE COURAGE OF HIS CONVICTIONS

Nelson Mandela, by contrast lived the courage of his convictions. Apart from the colour of their skins, Obama and Mandela share little else in common. Professor Njabulo Ndebele from the Nelson Mandela Foundation (NMF) justified the choice of inviting Obama as the official speaker for Centenary Mandela lecture on the basis that: "In an era defined by worsening tensions between people in which the spectre of exclusion and intolerance across the world seems to become normalised, the messages of President Obama, like those of Madiba, must be given space."

This sentence seems garbled and entirely misplaced. It is difficult to identify what the shared values and commonalities between Obama and Mandela are, and the suggestion that Obama's views be provided a space, seems trite. After all, the question remains unanswered, what virtues and values is a tainted figure like Obama expected to propound upon?

## A PRESIDENCY OF LIES

Obama's presidency was littered with lies - from the lie of promising to withdraw all US troops in Afghanistan, to the lie of the cessation of torture as a political instrument - to the lie of closing down Guantanamo Bay; a detention centre where men lay imprisoned and tortured indefinitely, without legal representation or trial. Worse still, Obama had an utter disregard for the rights to health of the people he was engaged in a fabricated war with. In 2015, the Doctors Without Borders (MSF) Trauma center in Kunduz, Afghanistan was hit by ceaseless bombing in the early hours of the morning by Obama's military personnel.

The MSF has unequivocally reaffirmed that all parties to the "conflict", including in Kabul and Washington, were clearly informed of the precise location of the facilities

in Kunduz, however, bombing persisted for near an hour. Nine MSF staff were confirmed killed, as countless others lay seriously injured. The much-needed MSF facility now lies in ruin.

More astoundingly, the level of disregard for the basic principles that doctors commit to, in the preservation of life, have been violated on Obama's express orders. There is mounting evidence of medical doctors being implicated in CIA torture programmes. A CIA torture report was compiled and released in 2012, which revealed the involvement of US army medical personnel in many of the black water, illegal prisons the US has in foreign countries and inside the US. Dr Vincent Lacopino, medical director at Physicians for Human Rights remarked: "As Physicians for Human Rights has established, health professionals were central to the CIA's torture program. They designed the methods, medically monitored torture victims, engaged in unethical research and experimentation, and helped the CIA legitimise practices any responsible medical professional would consider beyond the pale."

The NMF justifies inviting Obama because they conjecture that the memorial lecture is a space to provoke dialogue and stimulate reflection from a diverse range of views and voices, even facilitating the views of those whom Mandela might have disagreed with. This is true. Effective democracies require dialogue and deliberation. But there are moral limits to whose views ought to be heard and legitimised. The facilitator of egregious war and terror should not be one of them. Especially one who bears no contrition for the atrocities and destruction he has ordered to be committed.

This is not to argue for untainted moral purity amongst leaders tasked with the onerous difficulties of government. But it is to argue that someone less morally blighted than Obama should be honouring Mandela's centennial annual lecture.

Obama's legacy can be defined as more lie than truth, more war than peace, more injustice than justice, more victimisation than protection, more vulnerability than safety. For a person who held the very real promise of refashioning the world the way in which Mandela did, Obama unfortunately paved the way for a more right-wing America and a more violent world.

Obama represents nothing more than the smiling "black face" of Yankee Jingoism and we dare say, that if Mandela were to be presented with these same facts, he would be as ashamed as we are today to have Obama address his centennial legacy.

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● "Falling in love is very real, but I used to shake my head when people talked about soul mates, poor deluded individuals grasping at some supernatural ideal not intended for mortals but sound-ed pretty in a poetry book. Then, we met, and everything changed, the cynic has become the converted, the sceptic, an ardent zealot."  
— E.A. Buchianeri, *Brushstrokes of a Gadfly*

● "Be silent and safe — silence never betrays you; Be true to your word and your work and your friend; Put least trust in him who is foremost to praise you, Nor judge of a road till it draw to the end."  
— John Boyle O'Reilly, *Life of John Boyle O'Reilly*

● "I hunger for your sleek laugh and your hands the color of a furious harvest. I want to eat the sunbeams flaring in your beauty."  
— Pablo Neruda

● "We are the hollow men  
We are the stuffed men  
Leaning together  
Headpiece filled with straw. Alas!  
Our dried voices, when  
We whisper together  
Are quiet and meaningless  
As wind in dry grass  
Or rats' feet over broken glass  
In our dry cellar  
Shape without form, shade without colour,  
Paralysed force, gesture without motion;  
- The Hollow Men"  
— T.S. Eliot, *Poems: 1909-1925*

● "Whereas story is processed in the mind in a straightforward manner, poetry bypasses rational thought and goes straight to the limbic system and lights it up like a brushfire. It's the crack cocaine of the literary world."  
— Jasper Fforde, *First Among Sequels*

● "How should we be able to forget those ancient myths that are at the beginning of all peoples, the myths about dragons that at the last moment turn into princesses; perhaps all the dragons of our lives are princesses who are only waiting to see us once beautiful and brave. Perhaps everything terrible is in its deepest being something helpless that wants help from us.

So you must not be frightened if a sadness rises up before you larger than any you have ever seen; if a restiveness, like light and cloud shadows, passes over your hands and over all you do. You must think that something is happening with you, that life has not forgotten you, that it holds you in its hand; it will not let you fall. Why do you want to shut out of your life any uneasiness, any miseries, or any depressions? For after all, you do not know what work these conditions are doing inside you."  
— Rainer Maria Rilke, *Letters to a Young Poet*

● "I give you this to take with you:  
Nothing remains as it was. If you know this, you can begin again, with pure joy in the uprooting."  
— Judith Minty, *Letters to My Daughters*

● "What can be explained is not poetry."  
— W.B. Yeats

● "Life is but a day;  
A fragile dew-drop on its perilous way  
From a tree's summit."  
— John Keats, *The Complete Poems*

● "I love you because no two snowflakes are alike, and it is possible, if you stand tippy-toe, to walk between the raindrops."  
— Nikki Giovanni

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## VITALS

|                                   |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Prime Rate                        | 10.50%           |
| <b>First National Bank</b>        |                  |
| Inflation Rate                    | 4.9%             |
| <b>Central Statistical Office</b> |                  |
| Mortgage Rate                     | 10.25%           |
| <b>Swaziland Building Society</b> |                  |
| Bank Rate                         | 7.0%             |
| <b>Central Bank</b>               |                  |
| Petrol (u)                        | E13.30 per litre |
| Replacement                       | E13.35 per litre |
| Diesel                            | E13.30 per litre |
| Paraffin                          | E 9.65 per litre |
| <b>Engen Garage</b>               |                  |

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Correct as at 16 JULY 2018

| CURRENCY                | BUY        | SELL    |
|-------------------------|------------|---------|
| US Dollar / SZL         | 13.1951    | 13.2451 |
| British Pound/SZL       | 17.4669    | 17.5331 |
| Japanese Yen/SZL        | 8.4907     | 8.5214  |
| Swiss France/SZL        | 13.1806    | 13.2265 |
| Botswana Pula/SZL       | 1.2733     | 1.2927  |
| Australian Dollar/SZL   | 9.8013     | 9.8450  |
| Canadian Dollar/SZL     | 10.0343    | 10.0715 |
| Mozambique Meticals/SZL | 5.5211     | 5.5942  |
| Euro/SZL                | 15.4316    | 15.4901 |
| Gold                    | 1,243.2000 |         |
| Oil                     | 73.8000    |         |

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## Additional exam for ACCA students

Stories by Majaha Nkonyane

IN keeping up with a fast changing world, the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) has announced changes meant to strengthen this qualification.

The changes will be on the ethics and professional skills module with a new exam on strategic business leader.

This is according to Head of Education and Development at ACCA Michael Gora, who was making a presentation at The Federation of Swaziland Employers and Chamber of Commerce (FSE&CC) offices at Emafini yesterday.

Gora said the world is changing fast and it needs strategic forward-thinking ACCA professional accountants. This is one of the many reasons they are changing their qualification which is tailor-made for the professional class.

According to Gora, the new Ethics

...New modules also introduced to tighten qualification



**PRESENTATION:** Head of Education and Development at ACCA Michael Gora making a presentation during the meeting held at the FSE&CC offices yesterday.

and Professional Skills module is an integral part of the ACCA qualification and designed to give ACCA students the well-rounded skills employers need. Gora also said as

part of the latest innovations to the ACCA qualification, the module sets and embeds the highest standards of professional and ethical behaviours and supplements the

strong strategic and technical expertise acquired through the ACCA exams and practical experience.

Gora also said the module would help trainees develop the skills they'll need to successfully complete their ACCA strategic professional exams and for a successful career as a trusted and confident professional accountant.

In addition, the module according to Gora sets and embeds the highest standards of professional and ethical behaviours. The module will also help with supplementing the strong strategic and technical expertise acquired through the ACCA exams and practical experience.

The association, according to Gora, liaised with regulatory bodies and gained their assurance that they tested students to the same high standard, but in a more relevant way. This assurance is important as it ensures that students and members continue to benefit from the current statutory and education recognition.



**PARTICIPANTS:** President of the FSE&CC Andrew le Roux posing with participants at the meeting.

## ACCA COULD IMPROVE ESWATINI ECONOMY

**THE Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), one of the well recognised chartered accountancy qualifications in the country, could make a great difference in Eswatini's economy.**

This was voiced out by the President of The Federation of Swaziland Employers and Chamber of Commerce (FSE&CC) Andrew le Roux during a presentation at Emafini yesterday.

Le Roux said improvements in this qualification would help shape the corporate sector workforce in whilst producing more a profes-

sional body of employees.

According to Le Roux, the change will also help in filling the gap in capacity building which will also contribute in economic growth. The changes that are brought about by ACCA according to Le Roux will also help the country move to a middle income state.

### Created

Le Roux appreciated the relationship that they have created with the corporate sector through the Swaziland Institute of Accountants (SIA).

This, according to le Roux will further help in creating strategic

business leaders in the country.

SIA executive director Barnabas Mhlongo said the relationship they have built with ACCA is a very important one as it is meant to bring about valuable change in the accounting qualification.

### Strategic

Mhlongo said ACCA is working on meeting international federation of accountant's standards, and the strategic professional exams have been benchmarked at Level eight on internationally recognised education frameworks; this is equivalent to Master's degree level.

According to Mhlongo the con-

tents of the new module will help in making recommendations and inferences by viewing situations from different perspectives or sources; recognising the factors and opportunities that influence business success and understanding business processes, relationships, risks and costs.

Furthermore the module according to Mhlongo will help in communicating effectively in the business environment clients, customers, colleagues and external authorities, including recognising appropriate channels, geographical and cultural issues.

# INFLATION HITS 4.9 PER CENT

By Hlengiwe Ndlovu

WHILE the Central Bank of Eswatini announced last week that the country's inflation rate had remained unchanged in May at 4.8 per cent, the Central Statistics Office's recent analysis shows that inflation rose to 4.9 per cent in June.

The CSO reported that the country's annual rate of inflation was at 0.17 index points higher than the corresponding annual rate of 4.8 per cent observed in May. The higher headline inflation was due to increasing annual rates of change reflected last month in the price indices for:

● Food and non-alcohol beverages, which increased from

-1.3 per cent in May to -0.7 per cent in June 2018. Food, such as oils and fats; other food products; and bread and cereals largely contributed to the increased index in this category.

● Transport, which decreased from 3.4 per cent in May 2018 to 3.8 per cent in June 2018. Operation of personal transport equipment such as fuels and lubri-

cants; and spare parts and accessories contributed to the higher index. The increasing rates were slightly counteracted by decreasing rates of growth in the price indices for:

● Miscellaneous goods and services, which decreased from 1.1 per cent in May 2018 to 0.3 per cent in June. Personal care (such as electric appliances for personal care) and other personal effects mainly contributed to the lower index.

● Furnishing, household equipment and routine household maintenance which decreased from 3.4 per cent in May to 2.6 per cent last month. Tools and equipment for house and garden (small tools and miscellaneous accessories); furniture and furnishings; and household textiles mainly contributed to the lower index.

● Clothing and footwear which decreased from -2.0 per cent in May 2018 to -2.4 per cent last month. Clothing, mainly other articles of clothing and clothing accessories contributed to the lower index.



## SWASA approves IPM's proposal to nationalise HR standards

By Hlengiwe Ndlovu

HUMAN resource standards and practices will now be uniform in the country as the Swaziland Standards Authority (SWASA) has accepted a proposal made by the Institute of People Management (IPM) in this regard.

This was disclosed by IPM President Sharon Maziya on Friday at the Happy Valley Hotel in an IPM training ses-

sion. "IPM Swaziland believes that it is key that HR practices are standardised to reinforce HR management system in the country, we are proud and excited to announce that the national standards authority (SWASA) has accepted our proposal to nationalise HR standards in the country and the process has already started a formal launch of the partnership will be done in due course," she said.

She explained that the standards were developed to elevate the standard and

significance of this practice in organisations. "HR functions can now be audited internally and externally against the national HR Standards by the SABPP Audit Unit. This will create a renewed focus on consistency and standardisation of HR practices in support of the National HR management system, and ensure that HR adds value to organisations," she said.

These standards, according to Maziya, were first launched in IPM's annual conference in October 2014.

### ...THEY INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING

1. Strategic HR Management
2. Talent Management
3. HR Risk Management
4. Workforce planning
5. Learning & Development
6. Performance Management
7. Reward & Recognition
8. Employment Relations
9. Employee wellness
10. Organisation Development
11. HR Service Delivery
12. HR Technology
13. HR Measurement

## MTN sells its Cyprus business to Monaco Telecom for R4.1bn

JOHANNESBURG - MTN has sold its Cyprus business to Monaco Telecom for R4.1bn, the Johannesburg-based firm announced yesterday.

The deal, which is expected to be finalised during the third quarter of 2018, is not subject to any conditions, and will be financed in cash.

The company said the transaction was part of an ongoing review of its portfolio. "The net sale proceeds of €260 million, approximately R4,1bn, will be paid upfront in cash," the company said in a statement. The transaction values MTN Cyprus at approximately eight times reported 2017 earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA). "In addition, MTN has agreed to allow Monaco Telecom to use the MTN brand in Cyprus for up to three years in return for a commercial fee."

MTN Cyprus was the group's only business operation in the European Union. MTN is Africa's largest mobile phone operator and operates in 22 countries in the continent and the Middle East and said the Cyprus operations fell outside the group's core footprint.

Fin24

## Awesome Security gets E1.3 million SWADE LUSIP 1 tender

By Hlengiwe Ndlovu

CITADEL Investments, trading as Awesome Security Services, has been given an intention to award a contract for a tender worth E1.3 million for provision of services at SWADE's Lower Usuthu Smallholder Irrigation Project (LUSIP 1).

SWADE is the Swaziland Water and Agricultural Development Enterprise. Nine other companies had submitted bids for this tender but were unfortunately disqualified for reasons which were

not clearly stated by SWADE Chief Executive Officer, Samsom Sithole, in documents published in the Swaziland Public Procurement Regulatory Agency (SPPRA).

The companies which had registered an interest for this tender include: Black Mamba Security Services, Nkulu Investments, trading as Top Two, Maximum Security Services, Bhandile Investments, Mzalsi Investments, Reaction Force Security, Mphohlo Investment and Guns and Batons Cuffs Security Services. All the companies which participated in the bidding process are locally-based.

### DETAILS OF ALL OTHER EVALUATED RESPONSIVE TENDERERS

| NAME                                   | NATIONALITY | BID PRICE AS READ OUT | EVALUATED PRICE | EVALUATION STATUS |
|--|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Black Mamba Security                   | Swati       | E152 133.50           | E152 133.50     | Disqualified      |
| Nkulu Investments t/a Top Two          | Swati       | E113 137.00           | E113 137.00     | Disqualified      |
| Maximum Security Services              | Swati       | E139 159.03           | E139 159.03     | Disqualified      |
| Bhandile Investments                   | Swati       | E1 317 992.00         | E1 317 992.00   | Disqualified      |
| Mzalsi Investments                     | Swati       | E350.00               | E350.00         | Disqualified      |
| Reaction Force Security                | Swati       | E2 222 820.00         | E2 222 820.00   | Disqualified      |
| Mphohlo Investment                     | Swati       | E3 446 551.56         | E3 446 551.56   | Disqualified      |
| Guns and Batons Cuffs Security Service | Swati       | E1 920 000.00         | E1 920 000.00   | Disqualified      |

## Digimage bringing iEat Mobile App

By Majaha Nkonyane

IN keeping up with today's advances and improvements in technology, Digimage, a local IT company is bringing an innovative way to order fast food through a mobile application known as iEat.

This is according to Digimage Managing Director Sindiso Dlamini, who said the company had enhanced the dining experience through its innovation within the food industry by introducing the mobile app.

Most restaurants, according to Dlamini and other eating establishments are deploying this innovative solution that improves service and attracts loyal customers.

Dlamini described iEat as a cutting-edge technology leading to fresh and imaginative types of dining experiences that will serve clients via delivery, pick-up and seat-in where seat-in is available.

"The business world is gradually shifting towards electronic interfaces which are the way to go for every business enterprise. This is the right time to impact the kingdom of Eswatini through innovation hence the mobile app iEat," he said.

According to Dlamini iEat is a robust tool that will provide customers with a connected eatery experience since

there will be no need to wait in a queue to order meals or even delays on seat-in experiences because customers can order meals prior.

Dlamini said customers only need data on their mobile phones or Wi-Fi access to process an order and specify delivery instructions between seat-in, pick-up and delivery. Check-out options are also provided using MTN Mobile Money and VISA/MasterCard.



"As a company, we have arranged for deliveries where there will be a need for delivery, he further asserted. iEat mobile app will be available in Google play store from July 20 for all users to download and enjoy the services offered by iEat.

This product is believed to be a highly effective and robust product together with its back office integration," he said.



AS a consumer, it is always wise to know the difference between funeral and life insurance policies as it can help you make an informed decision as to which one to choose should you need to.

Funeral policies should not be confused with life policies. Although both policies pay out benefits upon the death of the insured person and may seem the same, they are distinctly different from each other.

#### FUNERAL POLICY

A funeral policy is a contract in terms of which an insurer, in return for a premium, undertakes to provide funeral cover upon the death of the insured or dependants, not exceeding an amount prescribed, consisting mainly of the provision of a funeral for the deceased person through a settlement. At the option of the insurer, the settlement may be made instead of the provision of such funeral or the granting of such other non-monetary benefit. The payment of a settlement may also be made in addition to the provision of such funeral or the granting of other non-monetary benefits.

#### FEATURES OF A FUNERAL INSURANCE POLICY

Funeral insurance is often offered as a long-term insurance product similar to some life insurance policies. A funeral policy may sometimes expire when you or the life insured reaches a certain age, e.g. at 65 or 75 years. Funeral policies are designed to help your family cover funeral-related costs such as the cost of burial, transport, food or other expenses by decreasing the burden of funeral planning for surviving family members.

Most insurers pay out funeral policy claims within 24-48 hours of a claim being lodged to ensure that the funeral proceedings take place speedily or as soon as possible, while a life insurance policy may take much longer to pay out.

#### BENEFITS OF FUNERAL INSURANCE

Funeral insurance is designed to take care of your funeral expenses. This type of coverage

# FUNERAL, LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES - THE DIFFERENCE



can only be used to cover costs associated with funerals. You will not receive a lump sum like you would with insurance to spend, however, you would like. You are basically pre-paying your funeral costs before you die. There are strict restrictions on how the money can be used, unlike with life insurance.

The advantage of funeral insurance accounts is that it saves you in the long term and provides you with full peace of mind, knowing that you will not be burdened with any funeral costs once you're covered.

#### LIFE POLICY

A life policy, on the other hand, is a contract in terms of which an insurer in return for a premium, undertakes to provide policy benefits upon, and solely for the reason of a life event; or pay an annuity and or lump payment to the insured's dependants depending on the nature

of the life policy taken. Some pay on death of the life assured or at maturity based on the components covered in that policy.

#### FEATURES OF A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY

A life insurance policy consists of permanent and temporary life insurance policies, i.e. whole life, term, etc. Just like funeral insurance, a life insurance policyholder agrees to pay a premium and at death, the insurer will issue a payment to a designated beneficiary.

Life insurance policies can help you protect your family's future by providing income to pay expenses such as a mortgage, child or parent care, higher education, subsidising income and emergency demands that are bound to arise after the occurrence of a specified or covered life event.

Let's also mention that funeral cover and its premiums are normally a lot less than that of

life policies (depending on the amount of life cover). Life policies can also be ceded to financial institutions as guarantees or collateral but funeral policies cannot. You can add other benefits to your life policy such as disability, health, loss of income due to injuries (life events), but funeral policies only cover funeral-related expenses.

#### BENEFITS OF A LIFE INSURANCE

Life insurance benefits pay a certain amount of money. If, for example, the life insurance policy that you have has a death benefit of E100 000 your loved ones will receive that amount when you die. They can pay for funeral expenses from those funds or they are free to use it, however, they wish. The obligation remains with the beneficiaries on how to spend the money.

#### CASH VALUE

The last key difference between life and insurance policies is in the area of accumulating cash value. With certain kinds of life insurance, you can accumulate a cash value as you go. With this cash value comes the ability to cash out if you want, thereby forfeiting the death benefit of the life policy. If you need cash, you can access it through withdrawals and policy loans. Bear in mind, though, that interest is usually charged on the loans.

With a funeral insurance policy, there is no cash value or interest accumulated. A funeral policy will only pay-out on the death of the insured person. You cannot borrow against a funeral policy nor cede it as a guarantee. You simply pay your premiums monthly, annually or bi-annually and it becomes available to you when you die.

*For more information or enquiries please email the FSRA at [stakeholder@fsra.co.sz](mailto:stakeholder@fsra.co.sz) or contact us at 2406 8000.*

## BUSINESS EXTRA

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The deal, which is expected to be finalised during the third quarter of 2018, is not subject to any conditions, and will be financed in cash.

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lion, approximately R4 1bn, will be paid upfront in cash," the company said in a statement. The transaction values MTN Cyprus at approximately eight times reported 2017 earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA).

"In addition, MTN has agreed to allow Monaco Telecom to use the MTN brand in Cyprus for up to three years in return for a commercial fee."

MTN Cyprus was the group's only busi-

ness operation in the European Union.

MTN is Africa's largest mobile phone operator and operates in 22 countries in the continent and the Middle East and said the Cyprus operations fell outside the group's core footprint.

"The accounting effects of the transaction will be communicated with the 2018 interim results that will be released on August 8," the company said.

*Fin24*

### Growthpoint helps 14 SMEs with its development programme

CAPE TOWN - An initiative by Growthpoint Properties will benefit 14 small business in Cape Town from strategic development and help contribute to the region's economy and job creation.

The 14 businesses joined Property Point's enterprise and supplier development programme this month as part of its latest intake. The businesses will deliver services to the property industry such as painting electrical work, build-

ing maintenance, heating, ventilation and air conditioning, fire protection, steel works, cleaning, renovations, tenant installations and plumbing. Property Point will support them to grow, build good reputations, access market opportunities, and use innovation to become sustainable concerns that benefit the entire property sector and stimulate the economy as a whole.

Shawn Theunissen, the Head of Corporate Social Responsibility at Growthpoint

Properties and founder of Property Point, said developing entrepreneurs and advancing small businesses in the firm's supply chain was imperative for Growthpoint.

"Development programmes improve supplier performance and add value to supply chains in a proven win-win for both small and big businesses. It fosters transformation that benefits Growthpoint, our clients, and small businesses, the property sector and the country," said Theunissen. *Business Report*

### Industrial action hits MTN

JOHANNESBURG - Africa's largest mobile operator MTN is battling worker revolt in two of its biggest markets, Nigeria and South Africa.

The group has been putting out fires in Nigeria after it was forced to close its offices in the country after violent worker protests over its alleged refusal to allow workers to unionise.

MTN has denied this claim. The company said on Friday that it had reopened its offices in the country after they were closed for four days.

#### Responses

In e-mailed responses to questions, an MTN spokesperson said that it had no objections to its employees forming a collective, through a union, or choosing not to do so.

"Given ongoing interventions by various stakeholders - Association of Licenced Telecommunications Operators of Nigeria, Association of Telecommunications Companies of Nigeria, Nigerian Communications Commission and the security agencies - we trust that there will be no further protests, aggression, attacks on our employees or damage to the network and property," MTN said. "Most of all, we expect that our



employees' rights to associate freely and without coercion will be respected".

The protest action was led by the Nigeria Labour Congress (NLC), an umbrella organisation for trade unions in Nigeria representing about four million workers.

The NLC could not be reached for comment, but in a statement last week blasted MTN's treatment of its workers in the country.

"MTN Nigeria since it commenced operations in Nigeria, in clear violation of extant national and international labour laws, especially ILO Conventions 87 and 98, has denied its workers the fundamental principles of the rights at work," read the statement.

*Business Report*

# ANOTHER FUEL PRICE HIKE EXPECTED IN AUGUST

**JOHANNESBURG** - The increase in fuel prices has adversely affected the transport sector, and it's expected to have a knock-on effect on consumers.

South African motorists are expected to feel the pinch once again as petrol price hikes are expected for August following July's petrol price adjustment announced by the department of energy, resulting in fuel price hikes, Power FM reports.

The weakening of the rand and the international oil price have a bearing on the increase in fuel prices.

This year's fuel price hikes have resulted in the transport sector considering tariff hikes.

National Taxi Association spokesperson Theo Malele told Power FM the national taxi alliance would have to think of ways of mitigating the fuel price hikes seen this year.

"We have always been charging charitable fares to our commuters. We are, however, aware that we are servicing the poorest of the poor, and we wouldn't want them to spend rather too much,



even though a lot of people think that we as the taxi industry are inconsiderate," Malele said. He said, however, if one considered that most businesses increased their prices on a yearly basis, the taxi industry tried to contain such costs.

"Even currently that is the situation, so we are trying not to hit hard on our commuters, but the problem is, it is going to begin to hit hard on us because we may not be able to meet our monthly financial obligations," he said.

Malele said where the taxi industry was hardest hit was with the maintenance of

vehicles as well as monthly financial obligations, which include paying monthly instalments for the vehicles, insurance for them and wages for drivers.

The truckers association said on the radio show they had expected government subsidies, saying in the current economic climate the fuel price hikes had had an adverse effect on the trucking industry with emerging businesses in the sector having to retrench drivers.

The Citizen reported on Friday that President Cyril Ramaphosa's recent visit to oil-producing nations last week was to ask them to help ease the burden on the South African consumer brought about by the high price of crude oil.

The president announced recently that government would soon announce a package of economic measures to cushion the public from fuel price hikes and the VAT increase.

Calls for the reduction of the fuel price have been made from different sectors of society, including political parties such as the IFP and the DA. *Citizen*



## Municipal pension funds looted

**JOHANNESBURG** - Shocking widespread corruption, fraud, theft and mismanagement of hundreds of millions of rand at the Municipal Councillors' Pension Fund (MCPF) has been referred to the Hawks by its curators.

It has also emerged that the Financial Sector Conduct Authority (FSCA) blocked the SA Local Authority (SALA) from investing some of its R16 billion assets in four companies, after it discovered that proper risk assessments were not conducted. SALA has about 20 000 members, who are municipal workers.

Among the dodgy and highly irregular transactions, MCPF curators Juanito Damons and Thabang Kekana have reported to the Hawks are the purchase of 11 vacant stands in Klerksdorp, North West, from Isago@N12 Development for R120m, and MCPF's strange decision to pay about R17m in VAT for the deal, despite the properties being registered in the fund's name.

The dodgy deals have been referred to the Hawks in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act. So dire is the situation at the fund that the SA Local Government Association (SALGA) has now asked the national government that the MCPF be merged with the Public Office Bearers Pension Fund, which caters for Cabinet ministers, their deputies, premiers, MECs, MPs and provincial legislators.

Documents seen by The Star show that Damons and Kekana have instituted legal action to recover the R120m purchase price and the R16.8m MCPF paid for VAT, as no acceptable settlement could be reached with Isago for the repayment of the money. MCPF documents state that the 11 Isago properties were bought for over R137m, when they were valued at R46.6m - an overpayment of R90.4m. The fund also bought a 12th property for "n", when its assessed value was about R40m - overpaying by R25m. *The Star*

## Rand gains as dollar eases

**JOHANNESBURG** - South Africa's rand strengthened early yesterday, extending previous gains, as sentiment towards riskier, high-yield markets improved after trade talks between China and the European Union.

At 0650 the rand traded at 13.2125 to the dollar, up 0.32 per cent from Friday's close.

The dollar slipped against most major currencies on positive trade talks between China and the European Union. Statistics South Africa will publish June consumer price inflation data on Wednesday, before a decision on interest rates on Thursday.

South Africa's Reserve Bank is expected to hold rates at 6.5 per cent, said all 25 economists polled by Reuters.

"There is no change expected in interest rates and with a hike now priced in from around six months' time, all ears will be listening for any kind of hawkish stance from the governor," Standard Bank analysts said in a note. The yield on the benchmark bond due in 2026 fell 0.5 basis points to 8.725 per cent. Stocks opened lower, with the JSE's Top-40 index futures index down 0.34 pct to 50085 points.

*Reuters*

## 'Beware of new ABSA email phishing scam'

**CAPE TOWN** - ABSA customers should be on the look-out as cyber-criminals have started taking advantage of ABSA's new logo to target the bank's customers in an email scam across South Africa.

In a phishing email using the bank's re-branding, they are tricking users to click on a fake website.

The scam email that is being sent to customers states that it comes from ABSA CEO Maria Ramos, but comes from the email "geien0080smtp@nokwi.co.za".

It starts by informing victims that "today marks a very significant day in the ABSA journey". "With this change in name, we

have the extraordinary opportunity to take the best of what we have built, and move ahead with a new purpose: to bring your possibility to life."

Additionally, the email uses ABSA's slogan, saying "We are also launching a new, fresh and vibrant ABSA logo and identity that reflects our commitment to you, our customers". Users are then encouraged to click on their 'New ABSA eStatements' in PDF format, which is actually an HTML file that takes users to a phishing attack website.

Business Report reached out to ABSA for comment. *Business Report Online*



## SA steel poses no threat to US - Davies

**CAPE TOWN** - Trade and Industry Minister Rob Davies yesterday reiterated that South Africa's steel and aluminium did not pose any threat to the US national security.

Davies said this while attending the 17th African Growth Opportunity Act (AGOA) Forum in Washington, DC, which brought together trade ministers from AGOA-eli-

gible countries, the US government, the private sector and from civil society to discuss the implementation of AGOA under the theme 'Forging New Strategies for US-Africa Trade and Investment Forum'. This was after reports that South African producers said they could possibly consider litigation against the US if it imposed new tariffs on aluminium-based

exports. Davies said South Africa's steel exports to the US accounted for less than one per cent of total US imports.

Although this represented a small fraction of US imports, South African exports of steel to the US accounted for five per cent of South African production, equating to 7500 jobs in the steel value chain.

*Business Report*

## FEDUSA calls on PIC two directors declared delinquent

**JOHANNESBURG** - The Federation of Unions of South Africa (FEDUSA) has acknowledged the resignation of the Executive Head for Legal Counsel, Governance and Compliance, Ernest Nesane after the forensic investigation into VBS Mutual Bank discovered serious allegations of impropriety, in a statement yesterday.

Nesane's ouster from Africa's largest fund manager managing R2.1 trillion on behalf of chiefly government workers marked another step in the unfolding scandal that includes a complex web of auditors, politicians and the bank's executives.

"The evidence discovered by the forensic investigation into VBS Mutual Bank last week, points to the fact of serious allegations of impropriety against Nesane, who served as one of the two Public Investment Corporation (PIC) - delegated Directors on the Board of VBS Mutual Bank. The VBS Mutual Bank was placed under curatorship by the regulator - the South African Reserve Bank in March 2018 said Dennis George FEDUSA General Secretary," according to FEDUSA. "Earlier this year, another PIC - delegated Director on the VBS

Mutual Board, Paul Magula was dismissed by the PIC for poor performance in relation to his duties and responsibilities towards the PIC. An Independent Senior Council chaired the disciplinary hearing. It is important to recognise that both Nesane and Magula have a duty of care to ensure they observe their fiduciary responsibilities relating to the business practices and apply the highest standards of ethics and good corporate governance," a statement from FEDUSA read.

FEDUSA said that their 6th National Congress adopted a firm resolution on corruption and fraud, therefore the Federation was bound to fight dishonesty, whether in the public eye or a director who has been removed cannot escape a court order from being issued against him in terms of Section 162. FEDUSA calls on the PIC in terms of Section 162 to have both Nesane and Magula declared delinquent directors for failing to apply the highest standards of ethics and good corporate governance. The effect of an order which declares a director delinquent is that the director is disqualified from being a director of a company in terms of Section 69(8)(a) in future, concluded George. *Business Report Online*



# FOCUS ON SA SCENE

## ANC IN LEAD IN THE BUILD-UP TO THE 2019 ELECTIONS - IPSOS

**JOHANNESBURG** - In spite of an uncertain road ahead, the African National Congress (ANC) remains the top choice for South African voters as the next general election approaches.

That's the word from the latest Ipsos "Pulse of the People" study, which shows the ANC holding 60 per cent support among a randomly selected sample of over 3 000 South Africans.

The two next-biggest parties-the Democratic Alliance (DA) and the Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF)-polled at only 13 and seven per cent, respectively.

But don't think the road to 2019 will be plain-sailing for President Cyril Ramaphosa and the governing party.

Despite political turmoil, factional fighting and policy disagreements within the ANC, six out of every 10 South African voters still want the party in power.

Ipsos' poll has the governing party a whopping 47 per cent ahead of its nearest challenger, with the DA and EFF trailing significantly.

According to Mari Harris, Ipsos Director of Public Affairs: "The ANC is recov-

ering to a certain extent. Last year this time when we released the same type of data, the ANC was at 45 per cent of the vote. And the Ramaphosa factor is big in there because suddenly there is a leader whom people trust and can look up to. If you look at our results after Cyril's hundred days, there is a lot of trust expressed in the new president and people are willing to give him a chance."

Analysts believe the so-called New Dawn following former president Jacob Zuma's resignation, has pushed the ANC in the right direction.

And it seems most South Africans think President Ramaphosa's administration has been doing the right things so far.

According to political analyst Mcebisi Ndletyana: "He's been able to make good decisions. The parastatals are changing. He has good ministers in key positions who are changing around certain things. But the party remains the problem because the party is a mix of a whole different bunch of people. Some of whom are completely dishonourable."

And while the ANC may be in the lead, the same poll illustrates voters are unsure about the party's future.

Over half of respondents indicate shaky leadership remains a concern.

And analysts warn this resurgence in support could be short-lived unless voters see fundamental change take place.

According to economist Thabi Lekoa: "We saw negative numbers coming out in the second quarter because we can't run on sentiment. You have to show people that you are doing something. We are very good at policy, but unfortunately, people want to see your policy doing something."

Opposition parties should also be concerned.

In addition to lagging nationally, they are also far behind in the provinces.

The EFF only scores above 10 per cent support in Limpopo, and the ANC seems to be closing in on the DA in the long-time DA stronghold of the Western Cape.

According to Harris: "They're not doing so well - the DA is currently on 13 per cent. The big loss of support for the DA is in the Western Cape. If we look at it, there is no clear winner between the ANC and the DA - the difference between the parties is only two per cent. It's very, very close." *eNCA*



**FIGHT:** Nelson Mandela's daughters Zindzi and Zenani.

## Mandela daughters continue fight for #Winnie's claim to Qunu land

**JOHANNESBURG** - The daughters of Nelson Mandela and Winnie Madikizela-Mandela are pushing ahead with an effort to have their mother's rights to Mandela's Qunu home recognised.

Zindzi and Zenani Mandela have approached the Constitutional Court to appeal the Supreme Court of Appeal (SCA) decision that dismissed their mother's claim to the Qunu home, the Sunday Times reported.

The two believe there is a chance that the highest court in the land will arrive at a different decision than the SCA and the High Court. In Mandela's will, he had left the property in Qunu to be administered by the Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela Family Trust for the benefit of the Mandela family.

The estate is managed by Mandela's wife Graca Machel. The land in question was donated to Mandela in the early 90s and was under his name and was conferred by the then minister of land affairs.

Madikizela-Mandela had fought a long battle to have this decision for the property to be named under Mandela to be changed. She believed that under customary law, she had the right to the land.

She claimed that the land had been allocated to her in 1989 and she had realised in 2014 that the land was under Mandela's name, and that is when she began legal proceedings to have her rights to the land recognised. The High Court in the Eastern Cape dismissed this version. *IOL*

## Death toll for Phalaborwa mine fire rises

**LIMPOPO** - The death toll of the miners killed at the Phalaborwa Copper Mine in Limpopo has risen to six.

The National Union of Mineworkers' north east regional secretary Phillip Mankge confirmed the latest fatality to News24.

The deaths come after a fire broke out at the mine in the early hours of Sunday.

The fire reportedly started at conveyor belt five, and when smoke was seen by a logistic belt operator, the workers were instructed to evacuate the area to the closest refuge chamber, the union said on Sunday.

NUM said it would, together with COSATU's provincial secretary in Limpopo, Gerald Thwala, meet to establish the root cause of the incident.

"As the NUM, we vehemently condemn this kind of incident as there is a high number of fatalities in the mining industry in South Africa this year," the union said in a statement.

The union has urged the department of mineral resources to play a role in ensuring that mines are safe and to make the safety of the mineworkers a priority. *eNCA*

## Parties playing politics outside court slammed

**JOHANNESBURG** - Parties playing politics outside the Randburg Magistrate's Court, where Duduzane Zuma made a brief appearance on charges of culpable homicide on Thursday, have been criticised for creating a diversion from the legal process that was unfolding.

According to advocate Zola Majavu, both Kallie Kriel's lobby group AfriForum and Andile Mngxitama's Black First Land First (BLF) were creating a political sideshow and not assisting the legal process.

"There is nothing unusual about this culpable homicide case, it is assuming it's high profile because of the person involved but also because of AfriForum and BLF playing politics about it," said Majavu.

Phumzile Dube was killed instantly when Zuma's son crashed his Porsche into a taxi on Grayston Drive, Sandton, four years ago. Another taxi passenger, Nanki

Mashaba, died in hospital weeks later.

When asked why the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) took so long to pursue the matter, Majavu stated the inquest as one of the reasons.

"The reasons why they did not prosecute was because the matter went for an inquest. It happens all the time. It took over two years.

"It's not unusual for the state to prosecute, withdraw and reinstate.

"If this man is innocent let the court of law say so."

Majavu said the BLF might have a point. "The NPA obviously seems to have buckled under pressure from AfriForum to prosecute.

"But in terms of the law, there is nothing wrong with the NPA saying, 'We've now reconsidered our position, we are now prosecuting'." *Sunday Independent*



**POLITICS:** Parties playing politics outside the Randburg Magistrate's Court, where Duduzane Zuma made a brief appearance on charges of culpable homicide.

## ANC shocked by Senoko's death

**JOHANNESBURG** - The African National Congress has expressed shock and sadness at the death of "one of its most committed and dedicated staff members and seasoned cadre" David Senoko, 43, following a short illness.

Senoko had cut his teeth as a student activist when apartheid brutality and suppression was at its most vicious, ANC spokesman Pule Mabe said on Sunday. "He learnt and started internalising the culture and val-

ues of our movement as a young student activist. He embodied the values of sacrifice, selfless service, solidarity, social justice until his last day," he said.

**Devoted**

"His comrades in (the) South African Students' Congress (Sasco), Young Christian Society, and ANC will remember him as a devoted activist who placed the interests of his organisations above his own.

*African News Agency/ANA*

## Nonkanyiso Conco's father 'angry' that Zuma 'hasn't paid the lobolo'

**JOHANNESBURG** - A report in a Zulu language publication claims the former president has an angry future father-in-law on his hands, but another family member disputes this.

Former president Jacob Zuma's supposed money problems are again a talking point after a report that suggested he hadn't yet paid the lobolo (dowry) for his young fiancée Nonkanyiso Conco.

In April it was reported that Zuma had been in a relationship with the 24-year-old Conco for five years, after first meeting her at the Zulu reed dance at Nongoma in 2013 when she was 19.

Conco is from Matatiele on the KZN border with the Eastern Cape and has long been an outspoken fan of keeping Zulu traditions alive. She



**NOT PAID LOBOLA:** Zuma's young fiancée Nonkanyiso Conco.

was forced to resign from her job as the treasurer and communications officer of non-profit organisation She Conquers, a women's empowerment organisation that was not impressed about her affair with Zuma. *Citizen*

# CANCER SURVIVOR ROBBED OF A NOSE, CHEEK AND EYE

*...is afraid to be seen in public because his facial prosthetic regularly falls off*

**MONTREAL** - A cancer survivor who was robbed of his nose, cheek and eye has been fitted with a facial prosthetic - that he has to stick on with glue.

Sylvain Pharand was told he had just six months to live when doctors told him a cyst in his left nostril was sinus and lymph node cancer.

However, after a gruelling decade-long battle that involved around 125 sessions of radiotherapy, the father, from Montreal, Quebec, beat his cancer.

But the 55-year-old, who once had a gaping hole in his face, has been left without a nose, left eye and cheek because of his traumatic ordeal.

He was fitted with a facial prosthetic two years ago, but the heavy piece held on with glue regularly falls-off, causing him to feel ostracised in public.

Cruel strangers pointing at Pharand have left him preferring to stay at home until a new prosthetic is made that will be held on with magnets.

Speaking for the first time about his traumatic ordeal, Pharand said: "Today, 10 years later, I have no trace of cancer, but the road has been a rollercoaster."

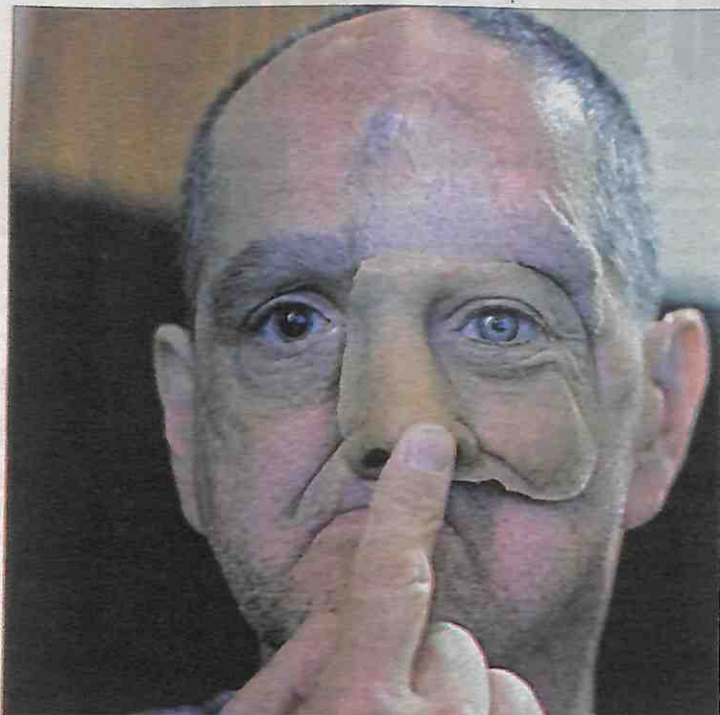
He added: "I had a cyst in the left nostril, which I wanted to get removed as it was uncomfortable when breathing."

"After being told I had six months to live I was devastated at the time, however, I've always been a fighter and I decided to fight and live instead of letting it kill me."

As they could not give me any more radiotherapy treatments, they had to go with operations."

Pharand was diagnosed with the deadly cancer on his wedding anniversary to wife Marie- JoséeFréchette in 2008.

He said: "For me it was more like circles on pictures. I knew it wasn't



**NEW FACE:** Sylvain Pharand, from Montreal, Quebec, was devastated after it was revealed a small cyst in his left nostril was sinus and lymph node cancer. (pictured with his new facial prosthetic).

normal, but I wasn't able to tell how dangerous or advanced the tumor was."

Pharand - whose treatment stopped last year when no more tumours were found - had his left nostril removed first in 2010 because of breathing difficulties.

It was rebuilt using skin from his forehead, but then a new tumour appeared on the exterior of the rebuilt portion.

Surgeons decided to remove his whole nose in 2012. But, again, another tumour appeared inside the hole close to his eye.

Two years later, in 2014, he had his left cheek and left eye removed in a desperate attempt to rid him of the cancer.

After that, Pharand underwent a 12-hour operation to put a skin flap to hide the affected part of his face - using skin from his left thigh.

Pharand said: "I am currently at the state of rebuilding my cheek and eye with skin from my legs and an artificial prosthesis."

"At first, everything went well. However, the prosthetic was heavier than they thought and it did not hold well with glue."

"They are currently working on a different method to have it hold in place, probably with magnets or screws."

He added: "Before the prosthetic, I had to wear a bandage covering the hole, which was not aesthetic at all and was irritating my skin."

● Sylvain Pharand was told he had 6 months to live when doctors found his cancer.

● However, after a gruelling decade-long battle, the father is finally in the clear.

● He was fitted with a prosthetic after being robbed of his nose, cheek and left eye.

● However, the heavy piece held on with glue regularly falls-off MrPharand's face.

Pharand - whose life was altered when he had dentures fitted - said doctors 'are not 100 per cent sure' how his prosthetic will proceed still at the moment.

He added: "As for the dentures, I was very limited in what I could eat before them. Sometimes I had to put my food in the blender in order to eat in a balanced manner."

Speaking about feeling ostracised in public, Pharand said: "Some people are very kind and understanding."

"However, some constantly stare at me, making me feel uncomfortable to a point where I sometimes don't want to go out."

He is now fundraising for a hair transplant from his gruelling radiotherapy, which is not covered by the public health care system in Canada.

He said: "I wish I could have a hair transplant, I lost all my hair in the front because of the radiotherapy and brachytherapy."

"Unfortunately, this treatment is very expensive, and I do not have the money to pay for it."

MrPharand, who has a 21-year-old son called Sebastien, is also raising money to fulfil his dream of going to Hawaii with his family.

He was unable to travel during his cancer battle amid fears he may be prone to catching an infection.

*Daily Mail*



**SMILES:** Pharand was diagnosed with the deadly cancer on his wedding anniversary to wife Marie- JoséeFréchette in 2008. (Above)



**PATCH:** Pharand - whose treatment stopped last year when no more tumours were found - had his left nostril removed first in 2010 - cause of breathing difficulties.



**NO NOSE:** Surgeons removed his whole nose in 2012. (Daily Mail)



**BANDAGE BEFORE:** He had to wear a bandage covering the hole, which was not aesthetic at all and was irritating his skin (here with his 21-year-old son Sebastien in 2017)



**FACIAL PROSTHETIC:** He was fitted with a facial prosthetic two years ago, but the heavy piece held on with glue regularly falls-off, causing him to feel ostracised in public.



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## BRIEFS

## National cathedral plan sparks unholy row

ACCRA - Ghana may be one of the most religious countries in the world, despite being constitutionally secular, but a project to build a new national cathedral has not met universal approval. Plans for the building, designed by the Ghanaian-British architect David Adjaye and to be located on some six hectares near Accra's parliament, were unveiled earlier this year. Designs showed landscaped gardens and a concave structure housing a chapel, baptistry and 5 000-seat auditorium, as well as Africa's first bible museum and documentation centre. *AFP*

## Eritrea reopens embassy in Addis Ababa

ADDIS ABABA - Eritrea reopened its embassy in Ethiopia yesterday in further evidence of a rapid thaw between two countries that a week ago ended two decades of military stalemate after a border war in which tens of thousands died. Ethiopia's Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed and Eritrea's President Isaias Afwerki re-opened the embassy in the capital Addis Ababa in a brief ceremony, a Reuters witness said. One week ago the leaders of the Horn of Africa nations declared their "state of war" over after two decades. *Reuters*

## Cholera outbreak kills 6 in Cameroon

DOUALA - Six people have died in Cameroon from a cholera outbreak that has infected 43 people since May, the health ministry said. "Cases of cholera were documented since May 2018 in four districts in northern regions," Health Minister Andre Mama Fouda said in a statement sent late on Saturday. He said one case of the disease had been found in the capital Yaounde. "From the moment the first cases were documented in the northern region, every measure was taken to contain the epidemic," Fouda said. Cholera is caused by a bacterium transmitted through contaminated food or drinking water. *AFP*



## Botswana considering lifting ban

BOTSWANA - Botswana, home to the world's largest elephant population, may lift a ban on hunting for sport in the face of what the government says is growing conflict between humans and wildlife, a move sure to provoke protest from animal welfare groups, Reuters reported. Conservationists estimate the land-locked southern African country to have around 130 000 elephants, close to a third of the continent's population, but the government says the number is closer to 230 000. These huge elephant numbers are causing problems for small-scale farmers. *African News Agency*

## Pauw 'does not read'

JOHANNESBURG - The EFF leader has finally made it clear how he is attempting to discredit Jacques Pauw's criminal accusations against him. The EFF leader proved yesterday that the verbal battle between himself and author and journalist Jacques Pauw is far from over in an interview on SABC's Morning Live. "Jacques Pauw does not read. I called him about his lie about Mazzotti and he admits he is wrong and that Kyle paid for my tax fees, but if he read my affidavit, he would have seen that I stated there that Kyle paid my tax," the red berets' commander-in-chief said. *News24*



## DRC UNIVERSITIES URGE KABILA TO STEP ASIDE

KINSHASA - Several universities in the Democratic Republic of Congo on Saturday signed a petition against President Joseph Kabila, running for a third term in office later this year.

University professors and staff signed the document calling Kabila's candidacy in the December polls "an unacceptable offence of high treason against the nation and the state" following months of heavily repressed protests calling for the long-time leader to stand aside.

"It's about trying to stop the constitution being tampered with in our country," said Georges Kapiamba, president of the Congolese Association for Access to Justice and one of the petition's organisers. Kabila, who took over from his assassinated father in 2001, presides over a country with a history of corruption, poor governance and armed conflict.

He was obligated to step down at the end of 2016 after he reached his two-term limit, but a constitutional clause allowed him to remain in office

until his successor is elected.

Elections that should have been held that year were rescheduled for 2017, and postponed again to 2018.

He is yet to state whether or not he intends to stay on.

Candidates for the December 23 presidential election must declare their bid between July 25 and August 1.

"We hope that president Kabila will say clearly that he will not run in the presidential election, wish good luck to his successor and reassure us that he will guarantee the proper organisation of the vote," said Alphonse-Daniel Ntumba Luaba, a law professor and a former justice minister in the vast, mineral-rich state.

At the end of 2017 and early this year, anti-Kabila demonstrations organised by Roman Catholics led to a violent crackdown by security forces, with a total of at least 15 dead reported around the country. *AFP*

## NIGERIA'S RULING PARTY WINS KEY STATE GUBERNATORIAL

LAGOS - A candidate from Nigeria's ruling party won a key state gubernatorial on Sunday, the electoral body said, marking an early victory for President Muhammadu Buhari ahead of general elections next year.

Challenger Kayode Fayemi, former solid minerals minister of the All Progressives Congress (APC), won the fiercely-contested election in Ekiti state, defeating incumbent Peter Ayo Fayose from the opposition People's Democratic Party (PDP).

"John Olukayode Fayemi of the APC, having satisfied the requirement of the law and scored the highest number of votes, is hereby declared the winner," said Abel Olayinka, Independent National Electoral Commission officer, in a statement.

The election, which the APC won by 19 338 votes, was free from violence but vote-buying was an issue, said international observers on the ground.

"Money rain in Ekiti as PDP, APC entice voters with cash," wrote the Vanguard, a Nigerian newspaper.

"Unfortunately, I think it has become part of the system here," said Sentell Barnes, from the International Republican Institute, a US pro-democracy group.



**WINS:** Former solid minerals minister of the All Progressives Congress Kayode Fayemi.

"Before people would stuff ballots, but now that's harder to do with the card reader, so now you find people using money to influence people."

Nigeria's 2015 presidential election, in which Buhari made history by becoming the first opposition candidate to unseat an incumbent, was widely praised as free and fair.

*News24*

## Zim teachers angry over army pay hike, warn of 'serious consequences'

HARARE - Teachers in Zimbabwe are angry that soldiers and police this month got a higher pay rise than they did.

Teachers and civil servants were awarded 17.5 per cent pay rises this month following an agreement in May.

Soldiers and police also got pay rises of up to 22.5 per cent, but the main Zimbabwe Teachers Association (ZIMTA) says the hike should have been the same across the board.

"Should teachers be in the military or be led by the military to be heard," ZIMTA said in a statement.

It condemned "the lack of seriousness and commitment by this government" and warned of "serious consequences".

Temper is fraying ahead of elections set for July 30, which will see President Emmerson Mnangagwa, who took power last November, face his main rival Nelson Chamisa of the Movement for Democratic Change Alliance.

Though this election has seen almost none of the violence that has marred previous elections in Zimbabwe, there are still fears that there may be rigging and that Mnangagwa has an unfair advantage. *News24*



**SA BOUND:** Former US President Barack Obama.

## Obama visits Kenya en route to SA

NAIROBI - Former US President Barack Obama stopped off in Kenya ahead of his visit to South Africa for Madiba's centenary.

Obama's father is Kenyan. The former statesman held talks with President Uhuru Kenyatta.

Obama's visiting Nairobi for the fifth time as a private citizen and he's expected to hold talks with opposition leader Raila Odinga. Odinga's recently agreed to work with Kenyatta following a dispute over the 2017 elections. Obama will deliver the keynote address at the Mandela annual lecture in Johannesburg tomorrow. *eNCA*

## Zim police arrest 4 for 'hate speech' on social media

HARARE - Zimbabwe police have arrested four people for publishing "falsehoods and hate speech" on social media, a newspaper reported.

The suspects weren't named, and the state-run Sunday Mail did not say what law the four are being charged under.

"I want to warn those who abuse social media that we have mechanisms to catch them if they commit crimes," senior police officer Erasmus Makodza told the paper.

Last week Makodza said police would arrest people who used social media to spread misinformation on a controversial postal vote by police officers that began on Thursday.

The opposition Movement for Democratic Change (MDC) Alliance alleged police officers were forced to vote in front of their commanding officers, a charge denied by the police.

In a statement, the Media Institute of Southern Africa (MISA) said the right to share factual information on social media must be upheld, even if it is critical of the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC).

"MISA reminds the government that the sharing of information should not be criminalised during the electoral cycle," MISA added.

Last week a top official from ZEC says she received death threats on Twitter.

Netsai Mushonga said she got a message via the micro-blogging site from someone threatening to shoot her, reports the state-run Sunday News.

The ZEC has come in for intense criticism both on and offline for lacking transparency and allegedly showing bias towards the ruling Zanu-PF party ahead of polls on July 30.

*NEWS24*



# World News

## TRUMP REVEALS WHAT THE QUEEN THINKS OF BREXIT

**LONDON** - Donald Trump revealed what The Queen thinks of Brexit as he appears on Good Morning Britain opposite Piers Morgan.

The US President sat down with the GMB host on Air Force One as he made his inaugural visit to Britain.

Trump vowed to make a trade deal with UK as it exits the EU - despite days ago threatening to "kill" any chances on a deal.

He also spoke about what The Queen thinks of Brexit, but declined to say whether she supported it or not.

"She said - and she's right - that it is a very complex problem. I think nobody had any idea how complex it was going to be," Trump said.

When Pressed by Morgan to elaborate more, Trump said he had heard "very strongly" that you "just don't talk about" those types of conversations with The Queen.

Four days in Britain were met with heavy protests for Trump, and now he is on his way to meet with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Finland.

Trump has said Theresa May must make sure she makes a deal with the US - that he promised would be "tremendously big".

He told Good Morning Britain: "We're going to get it. Now, if they do whatever they do, they have to I said, make sure that you have a carve out."

"You know, I've called it a carve out for this."

...as he appears on GMB



**TRUMP AND QUEEN: US President Donald Trump with The Queen.**

"You have to have a carve out where no matter what happens they have the right to make a deal with the United States."

Appearing on GMB, he hailed his visit to Britain as "perfect" and hailed Brits as "special people". Trump claimed to have discussed Brexit with The

Queen, and said she was a "beautiful woman - inside and out".

He went on that he is working to pull the US "out of wars" as he tries to do deals with Putin and North Korean tyrant Kim Jong-un.

*Daily Star*

## It's time to believe in our great Britain - Boris

**LONDON** - Boris Johnson has urged Britons to 'believe in themselves' as he weighs up whether to make a 'devastating' resignation speech in the House of Commons.

The former foreign secretary, who resigned from his post last week after the announcement of the controversial Chequers plan, said in his comeback Telegraph column that he believes there is a lack of belief at the heart of government that Britain can survive outside the EU.

"The elites of the world pay this country the highest compliment of all in that they want to come here, to shop here, to send their kids to this country's universities," Johnson wrote on Sunday.

"I find that they are amazed at the media nonsense and the lack of self confidence in the current debate on the EU about whether we can do things for ourselves."

"That is why it is time for all of us - at this critical moment in our constitutional development - to believe in ourselves, to believe in the British people and what they can do, and in our democracy. "People around the world believe passion-



**BELIEVE IN YOURSELF: The former foreign secretary Boris Johnson, who resigned from his post last week and British Prime Minister Theresa May.**

ately in Britain. It's time we shared their confidence." The sternly-worded rallying cry comes amid reports Johnson is preparing a devastating resignation speech revealing why he could no longer back Theresa May on Brexit. *Daily Mail*

## Protests flare up in Finnish capital ahead of Trump, Putin meeting

**JOHANNESBURG** - Protests have broken out in the Finnish capital ahead of a historic meeting between US President Donald Trump and his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin.

Demonstrators have marched through the streets chanting slogans.

Security is tight in the city ahead of Trump and Putin's one-on-one meeting yesterday. Issues

on the agenda include the US immigration crisis, freedom of expression, human rights violations, and free elections. Trump has said he has low expectations ahead of the meeting. *eNCA*



**MEETING: Russian President Vladimir Putin.**

## Violent Nicaragua protests claim another 10 lives

**MANAGUA** - Nicaraguan police and paramilitary groups loyal to President Daniel Ortega killed at least 10 people on Sunday, a human rights association said, as the death toll from violent clashes in the Central American country continues to rise.

The people were killed when government forces attacked the community of Monimbo and nearby city of Masaya, about 25 kilometres southeast of the capital, Managua, said Alvaro Leiva of the Nicaraguan Association for Human Rights. "We are talking about more than 10 deaths at this time,"

Leiva told a local television station. The government could not immediately be reached for comment. Nearly three months of clashes between pro-Ortega forces and demonstrators calling for his removal have claimed over 300 lives, in the bloodiest protests in Nicaragua since the country's civil war ended in 1990.

*Daily Mail*

### BRIEFS

#### Emirati prince flees to Qatar, criticises Dhabi

**LONDON** - An Emirati prince is seeking asylum in Qatar after fleeing the UAE, saying he feared for his life because of a dispute with the rulers of oil-rich Abu Dhabi, the New York Times reported. Sheikh Rashid bin Hamad al-Sharqi, 31, is the second son of the emir of Fujairah, one of the seven monarchies making up the United Arab Emirates. He arrived in Doha on May 16, the report said. Abu Dhabi is the capital and richest emirate of the UAE. Speaking to the New York Times, Sheikh Rashid accused Emirati rulers of blackmail and money laundering but did not offer evidence to back up his claims. *AFP*

#### Woman survives after driving off cliff

**CALIFORNIA** - A couple on a camping trip found a missing Oregon woman who had survived for nearly a week after her car went over a cliff in coastal California, authorities said. Chelsea and Chad Moore were hiking near Big Sur on Friday when they spotted a Jeep Liberty at the bottom of a 60-metre coastal bluff, the Sacramento Bee reports. They gathered items from the scene, including the Jeep's licence plate, to bring to authorities. About 30 minutes later, they located the driver, Angela Hernandez, who was injured but stable. *AP*



#### Russia must 'account for role'

**OTTAWA** - Russia must "account for its role" in the 2014 downing of Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 over Ukraine and cooperate with efforts to establish truth and justice, foreign ministers of the world's industrial democracies said. The statement by the G7 ministers came on the eve of a summit between US President Donald Trump and his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin, but also just before the anniversary of the July 17, 2014 air disaster, which killed all 298 crew and passengers when the airliner was shot down. G7 ministers said a joint investigation into the crash had yielded "compelling, significant and deeply disturbing" findings on Russia's involvement. *AFP*

#### Gaza truce holds after heavy strikes

**GAZA** - Palestinian Territories - A ceasefire announced by Hamas largely held on Sunday after the most severe exchange of fire between Israel and Palestinian militants in the Gaza Strip since a 2014 war, easing fears of a wider conflict for now. Hamas, the Islamist movement that runs the blockaded Gaza Strip, said late on Saturday a ceasefire had been reached with the help of Egypt and others, though Israel declined to comment. The United Nations' Middle East envoy Nickolay Mladenov was in Gaza and "working with all concerned parties to de-escalate the situation," a UN official said on condition of anonymity. *AFP*

#### Villagers kill nearly 300 crocodiles in attack

**JAKARTA** - Indonesian villagers armed with knives, hammers and clubs slaughtered 292 crocodiles in revenge for the death of a man killed by a crocodile at a breeding farm, an official said. Photographs released by Antara news agency showed bloodied carcasses of the crocodiles in a large pile in the Sorong district of the eastern Indonesian province of West Papua. The head of Indonesia's Natural Resources Conservation Agency in West Papua said the 48-year-old victim had entered the crocodile farm. *Reuters*



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# ARTISTS PAY FOR LOCAL RADIO INTERVIEWS

By Ayanda Dlamini

**NOTHING comes free and cheap for local artists.**

For any interview, nothing comes free from the Swaziland Broadcasting and Information Services (SBIS) as it has been investigated that artists pay to have an interview on radio, be it SBIS 1 or SBIS 2; English and Siswati channels.

According to an insider in the institute, for an artist to have an interview or market his or craft, they have to pay E275 per 30 second slot during the day in Siswati channel and E238 during the night. For English channel, they have to pay E167 for 30 seconds slot in

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the early hours of the day, E132 during the day and E157 at night.

The source also revealed that this form of payment was implemented late last year. Before, artists would pay E100 for a minute interview or any form of marketing to themselves.

This has become a financial burden to some artists as they hardly even have that E200 to promote their craft.

They only do not pay when they

have been hosted in one of the music shows air-played by the station.

## Condition

Speaking to one of the artists, who spoke on condition of being anonymous for obvious reasons, the fear of having his song not played on the radio anymore," he said. "This is really not cool for us as upcoming artists, how can we make money if we have to pay such an amount. We

are struggling.

"We are trying whatever it takes to be the best musicians. But the nation does not want us to be great as we are taxed for breathing," he said. Speaking to SWAMA President Melusi 'Zox' Dlamini, he said they as SWAMA acknowledged the station's mandate but they were pleading for merciful ways of helping the artists to market themselves as no local artists can afford this amount until they



**EMPOWER THEM: SWAMA President Melusi 'Zox' Dlamini**

would get royalties, as the Copyright Bill has just been passed.

## Miss Teen director unfairly dismissed

By Ayanda Dlamini

**ENTHUSIASTIC Miss Teen Director Sonia Silver has been relieved of her duties.**

Sylvia was apparently notified by the Eswatini National Council of Arts and Culture, under the directorship of Stanley Dlamini, to hand-over everything that had to do with the beauty pageant early this year and not to contact the young beauties ever again.

Speaking to this publication, Silver she said she was looking forward to hosting another successful pageant this year as she did justice to last year's parade. She executed everything that came with directing the pageant so well, from scouting, finding sponsorships to the crowning night.

"I was looking forward to hosting the young girls this year but unfortunately ENCAC fired me for no apparent reason. I was blocked from contacting the girls; (The beauty queen and her princess) and their parents. I was told to leave everything to Pageants Eswatini and continue with my life," said the fired director.

"I did nothing wrong, I tried all my best to make sure the pageant ran smoothly. However, I would really like to continue working with young girls with other entities just not ENCAC," she added.

Silver revealed that ENCAC and Pageants Eswatini did not provide her any form of assistance in hosting the pageant last year, from financial to everything she needed to

make the history making night a success.

"They never supported me from the start. I would ask something and never get it. I had to use my money to make sure everything was perfect and not embarrass the girls and our sponsors. The only support they gave us was their presence during the crowning night," she lamented.

Pageants Eswatini confirmed that Silver was fired by the ENCAC, "Yes, she will not be running the pageant anymore. She did nothing wrong and I cannot go into details about this," said the Pageants Eswatini President Catherine Potgieter.

Potgieter was shying away from giving the Entertainment Desk the main reason that led to Silver being fired.

Potgieter could not reveal if they would host the beauty pageant this year or not. She simply said they would be looking for a coordinator to run the beauty pageant.

Silver gave life to the Miss Teen beauty pageant brand as she hosted a successful affair at Nkonyeni Golf Resort which was well attended by the contestants' parents and corporates together with the country's personalities. She wanted to build Miss Teen Eswatini pageant into a sustainable programme in order to further support the top contestants entering each respective year, as well as support its future social outreach programme. Unfortunately, her dream has been botched.

Tyra Johnson is currently Miss Teen Eswatini with Emihle

Dzimba and Nina Zwane being her first and second princesses respectively.



## Zodwa Wabantu pulled out

....No longer part of #JOURNEYINTOMY MIND show

By Nomfundo Sifundza

**SOUTH African queen of dance Zodwa Wabantu has been pulled out of the #JourneyIntoMyMind show.**

This was confirmed by the show's organiser Sam Khoza, who said the outcome

came about after Zodwa was contacted directly, not through her management, which then resulted in her pulling out of the line-up.

The show, slated for August 25, at Malkerns Club, is set

**PULLED OUT: Zodwa Wabantu.**

to stage gqom artist Babes Wodumo, who has been reportedly confirmed.

This was revealed by Khoza, who said the Durban based queen of gqom confirmed her upcoming appearance in the country verbally.

"Babes Wodumo has been confirmed and she also affirmed that she would be at Malkerns Club on the 25th. However, Zodwa Wabantu has been pulled out but the show still goes on with other local acts billed to perform," Khoza said.

The likes of Illa Penboy, The Scientists and other acts are expected to perform on the day.

The #JourneyIntoMyMind show is said to be a whole day event and crossover to the evening, whereby Babes Wodumo will perform.

Zodwa Wabantu is, however, expected to be in the country dancing in her barely there clothing during her bosses' birthday party on the very same day.

The dancer is expected to perform alongside other Afrotainment signees during DJ Tira's birthday party, which is said to be a tour, meaning the same crop of artists will perform in at least three different cities in one weekend, celebrating their boss, DJ Tira's birthday.

# ACASWA TO 'OUTSOURCE' GOSPEL AWARDS WORKFORCE

By Nomfundo Sifundza

**DUE to a tight schedule for the ACASWA executive committee, the association is set to outsource a workforce for the upcoming gospel awards ceremony.**

This was confirmed by the association's Public Relations Officer Ronnie Dlamini yesterday.

ACASWA stands for Association of Christian Artists in Swaziland; the association is, an affiliate of the Eswatini National Council of Arts and Culture just as any other arts related association.

Dlamini said they were currently in a process to identify that capable events management company that would carry on the gospel awards project smoothly whilst racing with time.

The gospel awards were previously

announced that they would happen on the last month of the year.

"We are planning to outsource the awards project an events management companies this year, reason being the busy schedule of the executive; however we haven't reached a resolution as yet," he said.

Dlamini said since they were working around the clock, information on which events management company gets the assignment of the awards project would be announced soon in order to get processes rolling.

The last awards ceremony organised by the previous ACASWA executive took place in 2016 whereby Redemption Story drove home in a seven seater vehicle.

That awards ceremony took place at the Royal Swazi Spa Convention Centre where the Prime Minister Sibusiso Dlamini was in attendance.

ACASWA has over the years been presented and trusted as the sole gospel music dedicated association in the country. The association boasts of a number of award winning and gold selling artists/members such as Shongwe and Khuphuka Saved Group, Ncandweni Christ Ambassadors, Frans Dlamini and Apostle Vusumuzi Makuluve, to mention only a few.

It is worth noting that in the country there are not so many events management companies that have rolled out a massive event as an awards ceremony, hence Dlamini noted that they would be extra careful in selecting the eventual company to carry out the huge mandate.

Dlamini stated that an awards ceremony was an event of outmost significance that an association conducts to give encouragement and appreciation to their membership, who are the artists.

## Producer Subjamz's single out

By Nomfundo Sifundza

**AS their slogan goes at Icon PB, Subjamz carries on and has now released his own song.**

Icon PB fancies the slogan 'Asikacedzi' loosely translated 'we are not done yet.' Hence they keep on producing great work.

The award winning producer, who is responsible for producing the world renowned 'Tigi,' has now put his skills to his own craft and released a single titled 'Ngikutsandzile' under the Durban based record label Icon PB. Icon PB is run by Phila Dlamini, otherwise known as Phila Koshini, Sands former manager. Koshini now manages both

Subjamz and Amanda Mo. Subjamz's single comes right after he produced Amanda Mo's 'Uwami' single, which is currently topping charts and is on high rotation in South African radio stations and music video channels.

The single, as promised, features Amanda Mo, Theo Nhlengethwa of Boom Shaka fame and TS from Nigeria.

As the usual Icon PB style, the single has been distributed in quite a number of South African radio stations for airplay.

Subjamz revealed that next month, the single would have its video shot and produced.

## FREE ENTRY IN BIGGEST BRAAI AFTER-PARTY

By Nomfundo Sifundza

**MUSIC lovers will not have to pay double to be part of the Biggest Braai after party.**

This is because entry to the event costs E70 and if revellers paid for entry to the braai, there won't be extra payments required for the night gig which features, amongst others Zola, Gawuzela, Phathwakahle and many more music giants.

The after-party is expected to kick-off at 6pm until 6am on July 23.

...Zola confirms gig

This was confirmed by Mduduzi 'Gawuzela' Simelane, who is in charge of the after-party organising team.

### Hits

South African star Zola also confirmed the gig and further pleaded with his fans not to miss the after-party as it would be one for the books.

Real name Bonginkhosi Dlamini, Zola further urged men to stop abusing women and rather stick with having fun in the name of music.

Zola is known for his all time hits 'Shosholozela,' 'Lwandle,' 'Star,' 'Dont

cry' and many other songs that have stood the test of time.

The Biggest Braai will take place at the Mavuso Trade Centre on Sunday while the after-party will then get music lovers dancing until 6am.

Not new to all night events, Gawuzela also urged music lovers to attend the after-party and enjoy with them the best music to come out of the Kingdom of Eswatini.

Another heavyweight on the line-up is the platinum selling Shongwe and Khuphuka Saved Group.

## Miss Eswatini 2018/19 to be crowned at Convention Centre

By Ayanda Dlamini

**It will be a night to remember for Miss Eswatini finalists as the queen would be crowned at the prestigious Royal Swazi Spa Convention Centre in Ezulwini.**

This was revealed by Pageants Eswatini President Catherine Potgieter yesterday.

Potgieter mentioned that the girls are ready for the big night on September 15.

"It will a perfect night for the girls. Unfortunately, there has to be only

one queen crowned. We can safely reveal that one of the prizes to be won by the queen would be an educational scholarship from a local institute," she said.

Other prizes to be won by the kingdom's fairest of them all include beauty hampers, mobile phones and one

year gym contract for the queen. Potgieter added that they would be selling tickets to the event soon as they were currently embarking on social duties with the finalists.

Reigning Miss Swaziland Linda Hutchinson congratulated the finalists and advised them to take this

beauty pageant seriously as it is a perfect platform for them to be better women in future.

"This is a good platform for the young girls to improve themselves and become the women they want to be in future," she said in a brief interview.



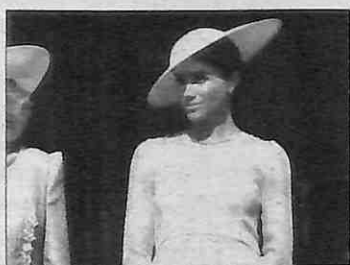
**BAHLE BAGEZILE: Miss Eswatini will be crowned at Royal Swazi Spa Convention Centre in Ezulwini on September 15.**

International  
Celebrity News

## Meghan Markle's dad thinks she is 'terrified'

**LONDON** - Meghan Markle's father Thomas Markle thinks she looks "terrified" while on outings with husband Prince Harry and her new royal family and is pleading to be able to speak and reconcile with his daughter after being "shunned."

The 73-year-old made his comments to The Sun in what marks his second on-camera interview since the Duke and Duchess of Sussex's May wedding, which he had missed due to heart surgery and watched it on TV in Mexico, where he lives. "My thing about

**TERRIFIED: Meghan Markle.**

my daughter right now is that I think she is terrified," Thomas told the newspaper in comments posted on Sunday. "I see it in her eyes, I see it in her face and I see it in her smile". *DailyMail*

## Kim Kardashian wows as she puts on very busty display

**LOS ANGELES** - She is a style icon and trendsetter.

And Kim Kardashian continued to captivate as she attended Beautycon in Los Angeles on Sunday, in a summery and skin tight ensemble that put her fabulous physique on display. The reality star took to her Instagram stories to share a video of herself heading to the event with her 'date', her daughter North West.

The KKW Beauty founder also revealed she was dressed head in vintage Dolce & Gabbana. Her frock was off-the-shoulder and held together

**WOW: Kim Kardashian.**

er with a bow around her chest. Unable to completely button up the skirt due to her enviable curvaceous physique, she paired her look with trendy bike shorts.

*DailyMail*

## Snoop Dogg caught cheating on his wife

**NEW YORK** - MTO News received word that Snoop Dogg appears to be caught CHEATING on his wife Shante - and he got caught RED HANDED. The woman he got caught cheating with is the young INSTA-THOT named Celina Powell. If that name sounds familiar - she's the same THOT who was cheating with Offset, and FAKED having a baby by him.

Back in early May, Celina came clean and confessed to lying about rapper Offset impregnating her.

Well, now she's onto Snoop. Celina claims that Snoop flew

**CHEATER: Snoop Dogg.**

her out to Los Angeles (economy, of course) and then banged her out. And she has receipts. Celina posted videos, screenshots of texts, and her plane ticket. *MTO*

## Michelle, Sasha Obama crash Bey and Jay's Paris concert

**PARIS** - Beyonce and Jay-Z's close relationship with the Obamas is still going strong, now in full flex across the pond ... with Michelle and Sasha crashing the couple's concert in France.

The former First Lady and child were spotted in the stands on Sunday at the Stade de France stadium, where Bey and Jay are performing as part of their "On the Run II" tour.

Michelle even went beyond the front row barricades, standing alongside Beyonce's mom, Tina Knowles ... and getting her groove on as Jay rapped onstage. As mothers to very important people ... they looked like quite the duo shoulder-to-shoulder.



No sign of Barack or Malia here, but the Obama family was definitely well represented. It's no surprise they're there either Michelle and her two daughters did the same back in 2014, when B&J were performing in Chicago. *TMZ*

## SA Celebrity News

## Mthokozisi opens up on losing Idols

**JOHANNESBURG** - "I just wanted to be alone and cry." This is how Mthokozisi Ndaba describes what he felt in the bruising days following his defeat to Paxton Fielies in last year's Idols SA contest.

The 26-year-old isn't trying to excuse the behaviour that saw him go from hero to zero in the space of a night, but he's ready to finally set the record straight. His ambition, he says, became his downfall.

"My goal was to get to the top 10 and I achieved it. But once I was in the top 10 I became greedy," he admits.

**OPENS: Mthokozisi.**

"I saw myself winning. Suddenly people were falling in love with my music and I was no longer prepared to lose." *Drum*

## Jessica's star-studded baby shower

**JOHANNESBURG** - As Jessica Nkosi prepares to welcome her baby into the world, her friends rallied together to throw her a surprise baby shower.

Wearing a white dress with a pink baby sash, Jessica posted pictures of the special day where friends and family spoilt her.

"I was in awe and started crying before I even got into the door. I don't even know where to start thanking these beautiful women next to me," she said about her pr team who arranged the shower.

Although there has been specula-

**PREPARES: Jessica Nkosi.**

tion about her pregnancy, Jessica only confirmed the news last month when she was on the cover of True Love with her baby bump.

*Love.Sowetan*

## Ann Malinga is over being mom-bashed

**JOHANNESBURG** - Robbie Malinga Jnr has received all kinds of heat after taking over his father's Instagram account and filling it with what some have called "flashy" pictures of his life.

While he has been getting tons of heat about this, his mom, Ann, has also come under massive fire, with calls to reign her son in.

But Ann Malinga is tired of being bashed and in an interview with Drum said her son is responsible.

"All I can do right now is make sure I manage the household and to try take things one day at a time. I'm a single mom now. I don't do much

**OVER: Ann and Robbie Malinga Jnr.**

socialising. I'm always home or with children. I've also put all my trust in God to see me through."

She said Robbie was her best friend and had become her right hand man and often helps her with family decisions.

*TimesLive*

## The Soil's Ntsika gets songs from the ancestors

**JOHANNESBURG** - Ntsika says his songs are a God-given gift.

When Ntsika Nxanga launched a stage play titled I Write What I Dream a few months ago, he wasn't trying to be fancy with words in the title, he was explaining the process through which he receives his songs.

Ntsika told TshisaLIVE that he literally has dreams that turn into songs when he wakes up. He has interactions with his ancestors, like his grandfather, who give him a song in a dream that he breathes to life when he wakes up. "I literally dream about songs. In those dreams, for all the years that

**GOD-GIVEN: Ntsika.**

I've been receiving songs, I would see who they were meant for, like the artist the song is meant for. "Well, the first dream I had, I was only six years old, back in Meadowland when I was still living with my gran. It felt so natural, even at that time". *Drum*

## WEEKLY SOAPIE DIGEST

ISIBAYA

TODAY

**ON HOLD: Samson**

Samson enlists the help of an old enemy in order to find Nkabinde. Solomon puts the wedding on hold following Duma's troubles with the law. Mabuyi sees Sihle for what she really is.

Isidingo

TODAY

**CONFRONTED: Gabriel.**

Sechaba asks Lerato what he should do to make things right - she names a hefty price. The miners worry when they learn what Ntando plans to do. Thabang inspires more people to get involved in 67 minutes for the Mandela Day campaign and gets support from an unexpected benefactor.

Muvhango

TODAY

Tenda catches on in Livhuwani's lies. Molihe disparages Thobile when she sings praises for Rendani. Vho-Mukondeleli wants to realize her dreams.

**PRAISED: Rendani**

Rhythm City

TODAY

**NOT OVER: Mapula.**

David tries to recruit Suffo to bring down Pearl and Mzi's relationship. Fats refuses to hand the title deed over to Kop. Mapula's trials aren't over yet, but Rene stands up for her.

## PICTURE OF THE DAY

Official handover of the remote control to wife after the final...part of being a responsible husband



## TODAY'S HOROSCOPE

### Aries March 21 - April 19

You love to start projects, Aries, but finishing them is a very different story. Alas, you can't put a particular mission off for another day. With the moon in Virgo until late afternoon, roll up those sleeves and focus on getting 'er done. Before you dive in, though, make a to-do list for yourself. This will ensure that you don't take too many detours.



### Taurus April 20 - May 20

Today starts out with a flamboyant fifth-house moon making you quite the showstopper. You will come on pretty strong, though, so read the room before you unleash The Taurus Show. Some audiences will require warming up; otherwise, they may feel as if you're delivering a hard sell. Still, this day has "Winning!" written all over it, and if you flip on the charm, you're bound to get a yes out of almost anyone. Late afternoon, la luna switches gears, moving into your sixth house of routines.



### Gemini May 21 - June 21

Privacy please! You're not feeling like your social self for most of the day, Gemini. Hang the "Do Not Disturb" sign or pop on the noise-canceling headphones so people leave you alone to your work. The good news is you can make big strides when left to your own quiet devices. Have lunch with a supportive coworker who can help you untangle a recent knot. The vibe shifts palpably late afternoon when la luna drifts into Libra and your festive fifth house. Kick off the ballet flats, slip on the statement sandals and join friends—or a date—for rooftop drinks or a weeknight DJ set.



### Cancer June 22 - July 22

Focusing on just one thing at a time? Bor-ing! You're in major multitasker mode for the first part of the day and won't mind duties that are fast-paced and even a little chaotic. Tend to your social network, checking in with friends who have fallen off the radar and getting some plans on the calendar. But not for tonight, unless you're in the mood to host a chill dinner party. With the moon drifting into Libra and your low-key fourth house, you'd rather make a date with your bathtub, followed by some unapologetic binge-watching.



### Leo July 23 - August 22

Today is like a mullet: Business in the front, party in the back. Keep your sterling work ethic in place until the late afternoon because the Virgo moon makes this a highly productive day. Not only that, but your dedication and diligence could earn you points with people who can assist you up the ladder over time. Late afternoon, la luna slips into Libra and your garrulous third house.



### Virgo August 23 - September 22

Champagne wishes and caviar dreams...there's nothing wrong with craving the finer things in life! With the moon in Virgo for much of the day, indulging responsibly wouldn't be a bad thing at all. But before you head to the boutique district or offer to pick up the tab for everyone's lunch, take a peek at your bank balance and review your budget. Some belt-tightening mea-



sures may be in order. But who says you can't pick up a perfectly satisfying selection at a sample sale or consignment shop?

### Libra September 23 - October 23

Tie up those loose ends, Libra! With the moon hanging out in your twelfth house of transitions until late afternoon, getting traction on new tasks could be exhausting. Some of that heaviness could be the stress of having to worry about what's left to be done. Sit down and do a brain dump this morning, then craft it into a master to-do list. You'll feel far more serene once you've gotten this out of your head and onto paper. The momentum for new projects will come before quitting time, when la luna zips into your sign for two days.



### Scorpio October 24 - November 21

The more might not be the merrier, but it will be the easier early today. Don't be so stubborn about having everything go according to the Gospel of Scorpio. Taking a collaborative approach will get you to the finish line a whole lot faster. Sure, the end result may divert from your prior picture, but you have bigger fish to fry than obsessing over this never-ending project.



Sagittarius November 22 - December 21  
Ain't no stopping you now! Let your ambition have the wheel today, Sagittarius, as the Virgo moon pumps you up to make a power play. Since people see you as a natural leader, don't hesitate when your gut is directing you to make a decision that will be best for everyone. Late afternoon, la luna drifts into Libra and your light-hearted eleventh house. It might start feeling lonely at the top then.



Capricorn December 22 - January 19 - Go long, Capricorn! Early today, the sky's the limit. Suspend your "let's get down to business" work ethic in favor of some unstructured exploration and brainstorming. In other words, think outside the box before you box yourself in. A change of scenery would do you good, so rather than assembling the team in the boardroom, how about taking notebooks and blankets and holding your 1pm meeting in the park?



### Aquarius January 20 - February 18

You'll be as thick as thieves with a certain someone today, and the vibe could get downright erotic! But what seems sexy early in the day could feel suffocating by late afternoon, when the moon shifts into Libra and your free-spirited ninth house. Be careful about making promises you aren't sure you'll want to keep or buying anything that doesn't have a return policy attached to it.



### Pisces February 19 - March 20

A promising partnership is heating up today, and by the late afternoon, you could be inking an exclusivity deal or talking "how about we..." But before you lock yourself into twosome mode, make sure all expectations are clearly laid out on the table. It's your nature to be agreeable and to make accommodations for other people. This seems like "no biggie" at first, but then you wind up resentful.



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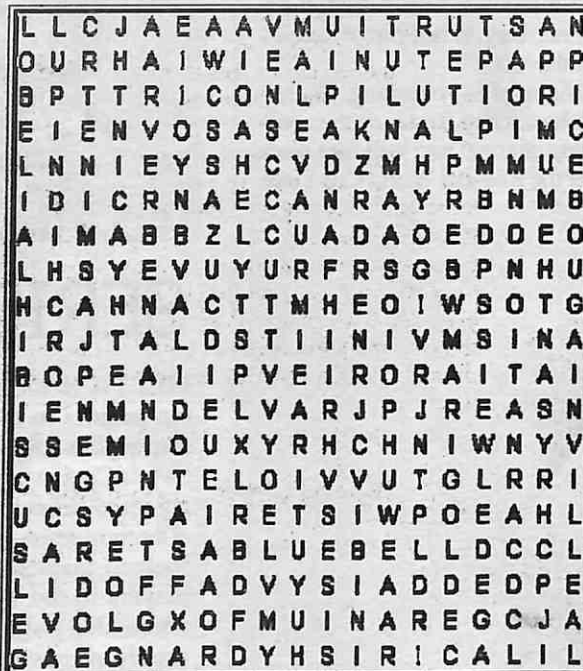
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## LOL

### LITTLE ANGEL?

LITTLE Johnny's new baby brother was screaming up a storm. Johnny asked his mom, "Where'd he

come from?" "He came from heaven, Johnny." "Wow! I can see why they threw him out!"

### USELESS FACTS

- The characters Bert and Ernie on Sesame Street were named after Bert the cop and Ernie the taxi driver in Frank Capra's 'It's a Wonderful Life.'
- Telly Savalas and Louis Armstrong died on their birthdays.
- Donald Duck's middle name is Fauntleroy.
- The muzzle of a lion is like a fingerprint - no two lions have the same pattern of whiskers.
- Steely Dan got their name from a sexual device depicted in the book 'The Naked Lunch'.

### BRAINTEASERS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

#### YESTERDAY'S BRAINTEASERS

1. Why do frogs have webbed feet?

Answer: To stamp out forest fires!

2. What happened when a frog joined the cricket team?

Answer: He bowled long hops!

#### TODAY'S BRAINTEASERS

1. What do you get if you cross a frog with a ferry?

2. What do you get if you cross a science fiction film with a toad?



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# GAME OF THRONES HAS 22 EMMY NOMINATIONS

THE nominations for the 70th Primetime Emmy Awards have been announced, with 'Game of Thrones' leading the race, with 22 nominations, including Best Drama Series.

The nominations were announced yesterday by actors Ryan Eggold (The Blacklist) and Samira Wiley ('Orange Is The New Black' and 'The Handmaid's Tale').

## Ceremony

This year, the ceremony will take place at the Microsoft Theatre in Los Angeles, on 17 September.

## The Daily Show nominated for 3 Emmys

Cape Town – Trevor Noah has thanked fans for their continued support after 'The Daily Show' walked away with three Emmy nominations. The comedian, who is in Russia for the Soccer World Cup, posted a picture of himself on Instagram, captioning it: "Wow, I visited



Russia for three days and now 'The Daily Show' is nominated for three Emmys.

Next time I should stay for a week and then run for president. To all the people who voted



for us and to all who watch our show I could not be more grateful."

## Paxton is taking on Russia!

IT has been quite the year for 17-year-old, Cape Songbird, Paxton Fielies

In November 2017, Paxton shot to stardom by winning South African Idols Season 13 followed by a manic touring schedule through to February 2018. March and April were spent working on, writing and recording her debut album, whilst maintaining her busy touring schedule. Mid-rollout of her studio recording, she toured to Sweden for some charity and performance work, which saw her meeting, performing and being honoured by Queen Silvia of Sweden. Upon her arrival back in her home country, she dropped her debut album,

'This Is Me' which we reviewed a few weeks back and gave high praise because it's a solid debut effort.

The album reached number one on the iTunes Charts on its first day, and the lead single *Angifuni* has gone on to make waves in the country, playing on high rotation on all major radio stations. She then went on a rigorous promotional tour and now finds herself jet setting off to St. Petersburg, to be a part of Russia's biggest cultural event,

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As the 2018 FIFA World Cup draws to a close, interest in the upcoming European football season is ramping up. With the dramatic news that Cristiano Ronaldo has signed with Italian club Juventus, all eyes are now shifting to the Italian champions and a revitalised Serie A. Ronaldo, one of

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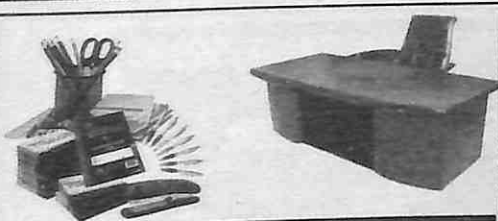
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# SABC EXECS CHARGED OVER R5.5 MILLION MARAWA HIRING

**CAPE TOWN - The South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) has allegedly charged top executives for their role in the rehiring of sports anchor Robert Marawa.**

According to a Sunday World exclusive, new Chief Operating Officer Chris Maroleng and Acting Group Executive for SABC Sport Marcia Mahlalela were charged for irregularities in Marawa's R5.5 million contract in a three-year deal. Mahlalela resigned with immediate effect after being informed of the charges at the conclusion of a two-week investigation which was given the go-ahead by former acting CEO Nomisa Philiso.

The broadcaster received complaints from internal staff members alleging that Marawa's appointment failed to follow correct procedures and was enforced by the two executives.

**Mahlalela faces charges of:**

- Demoting a subordinate for refusing to draft a motivational letter for the appointment of Marawa.

- Signing off of the contract without consulting the sports finance depart-



**HEALTH SCARE: Robert Marawa.**

ment to check if there was a budget to fund the appointment.

- Neglecting her fiduciary duties in agreeing to pay Marawa R7 000 a show amounting to R5.5 million over three years. The Soccer World Cup anchor's comeback was confirmed in June by Maroleng, with a plan to simulcast his sports show on Metro FM and Radio 2000. Marawa signed a deal with the public broadcaster effective from June

1, 2018 until May 31, 2021 at a rate of R7 000 per shift. The show will take two hours. According to the contract of employment signed by Marawa and the SABC, Marawa is set to earn a monthly salary of R154 000. The contract also indicated that Marawa will be paid an annual salary of R1.8 million and, by the end of his contract, he would have earned at least R5.5 million. *Sport24*

## MARAWA HOSPITALISED AFTER NEW HEALTH SCARE

**JOHANNESBURG - TV and radio sports presenter Robert Marawa was allegedly admitted to hospital, again.**

This time, the broadcaster, who recently rejoined the SABC in a historic move that will see his popular sports show aired on Metro FM and Radio 2000, was allegedly set to have spent almost two weeks at an undisclosed private hospital in Joburg.

Sunday World learnt of Marawa's health scare after his fans started asking about his whereabouts since he was last seen on TV during the first round matches of the FIFA World Cup. As a result of Marawa's health issues, SuperSport had no choice but to schedule only Carol Tshabalala and Neil Andrews to host shows during the rest of the tournament, held in Russia.

Marawa also failed to MC the launch of former Bafana Bafana coach Clive Barker's book at Exclusive Books in Rosebank, Joburg on Thursday night. Organisers then opted for Bafana Bafana legend Shaun Bartlett. "We were shocked to find out

only at the event that Marawa was not coming," said Barker's son Garvin.

Speaking to Sunday World about his hospital visit, Marawa played down the situation and said his ailment was not an important issue that can be made news.

"There are many things that can be written about, and besides, I never said I was not well," said Marawa. He said he was not supposed to be at Barker's book launch, despite advertisements to the contrary. This was not the first time that Marawa has had a health scare. In 2008, he had a heart attack after a session at the gym. This, he said at the time, was because he had not been exercising for a while. He attributed the heart attack to his rushed and unhealthy lifestyle, stating that he had no history of heart attacks in his family.

Five years later, Marawa collapsed at an event where he was to be MC. It was feared that he was having a relapse of his heart attack but he put it down to possible food poisoning.

*Sowetan Live*

## Pacquiao wants second crack at Mayweather

**MALAYSIA - Manny Pacquiao has called on Floyd Mayweather to come out of retirement for a rematch, saying "let's do a second one" after powering to his first KO win in nine years.**

"Let's do a second one," pleads the Filipino legend.

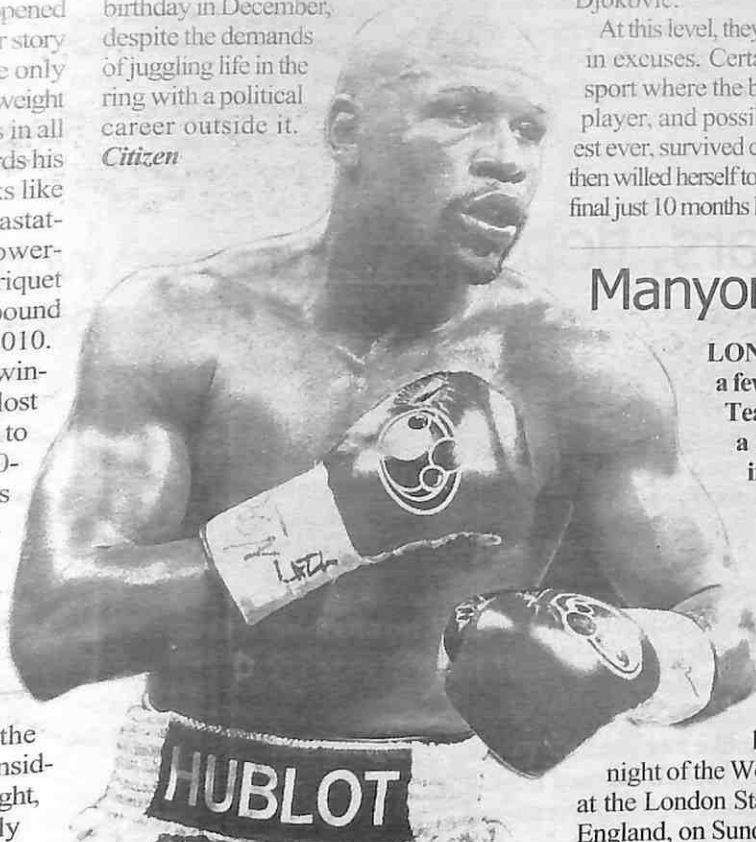
The fighting Philippines senator known as 'Pac-Man' took on the dangerous Argentine WBA welterweight champion Lucas Matthysse in Kuala Lumpur on Sunday knowing a defeat could have lowered the curtain on one of the greatest careers in boxing history. Instead, he opened a glorious new act in a 23-year story that has seen him become the only man to move up through eight weight divisions and win world titles in all of them. Despite racing towards his 40th birthday, Pacquiao looks like he is back to being the devastatingly quick and ruthless power-puncher who earned the sobriquet of world's "best pound-for-pound fighter" between 2000 and 2010.

In 2015 Pacquiao, with a win-loss-draw record of 60-7-2, lost a unanimous points decision to the unbeaten Mayweather (50-0) in one of the richest fights in boxing history, but then needed surgery on a damaged shoulder that he claimed had restricted his movement and punching power.

After rolling back the years to pummel Matthysse into seventh-round submission, the Filipino legend is already considering the options for his next fight, which could take place as early as November or December. "Mayweather? If he decides

to go back to boxing then that is the time we are going to call the shots," an effervescent Pacquiao told reporters at the Axiata Arena in Kuala Lumpur after his stunning win. "I have the belt, so it's up to him. If he wants to come back in boxing let's do a second one," he grinned. Pacquiao also highlighted British former light welterweight world champion Amir Khan as a potential opponent. "My next fight, I want to defend my belt," Pacquiao said. He also said he would carry on fighting past his 40th birthday in December, despite the demands of juggling life in the ring with a political career outside it.

*Citizen*



**CHALLENGED: Floyd Mayweather.**

## No excuses from Anderson as he earns his spot amongst giants

**JOHANNESBURG - Sport can be cruel, sometimes.**

It is one of the few, gloriously infuriating pastimes in our lives, capable of lifting our spirits, and inspiring millions with a kick of a ball, a swing of the shoulder, or the swiftness of foot.

Kevin Anderson won't care about all of that when he rises, somewhere in London yesterday morning. He might not even care about the unforgettable Wednesday and epic Friday that he had on the way to the Wimbledon final. He won't even try to use the heavy mileage accrued in those two titanic tussles as some sort of excuse for the slow start that compromised him against Novak Djokovic.

At this level, they don't believe in excuses. Certainly not in a sport where the best women's player, and possibly the greatest ever, survived childbirth, and then willed herself to a Wimbledon final just 10 months later. Djokovic

himself has suffered plenty of misery and setbacks over the last two years, and there has been little in the way of excuses. It is a measure of the small margins that exist that both men were so generous towards each other in the speeches. Just as Anderson was to John Isner after the semi-final and, indeed, how gracious Roger Federer was in defeat on Wednesday.

Rather than excuses, respect is the currency of choice at the highest level. And, over the past week, and indeed over the past few years ever since he dedicated himself to being the best Kevin he could possibly be, Anderson has certainly been earning it by the fistful. He has added subtlety and style to his repertoire, supplementing the sledge-hammer serve that has always been his trademark. To be sure, Anderson lost to one of the greatest returners in the game. There is no shame in that, even if he might have winced as the first two sets whizzed by before he could say, 'Askies'.

The final was tough to watch, if you took it in isolation. But, observed alongside Anderson's body of work, it was, perhaps, understandable. In any other year, climbing back from match point down to the King of SW19 and then defeat him would be enough to just about seal the championship. But, we are in the midst of one of the most competitive ages of men's tennis, dripping with quality and character. Anderson now sits at No. 5 in the world rankings, firmly in that conversation. Respected, if not quite revered.

You would hope, upon reflection, that Anderson's disappointment is assuaged by the knowledge that he has climbed even higher than most optimists thought he might. His feats have fully vindicated his decision to go solo and, on the back of this latest run, his balance in international respect is rivalling the dollars that his endeavour has been rewarded with. *The Star*

## Manyonga, Steenkamp star in tough World Cup

**LONDON - Shorn of a few world-class star, Team SA experience a muted campaign in London.**

World long jump champion Luvo Manyonga and hurdles star Rikenette Steenkamp, but Team SA struggled to make headway on the final

night of the World Athletics Cup at the London Stadium in London, England, on Sunday.

Manyonga's first leap of the evening

saw him land at 8.51 metres, which turned out to be his best of the four jumps on the night, with American Zack Bazile next best with 8.30.

Also joining him in collecting US\$40 000 for a win was Steenkamp in the 100 metres hurdles, in clocking 12.88 to hold off Jamaica's Jeanine Williams (12.95).

### Action

The South African gold medals go along with the win of Sunette Viljoen in the first night of action on Saturday.

Without the services of the world 800 metres champion Caster Semenya, who won the 1000 metres in the Diamond League meeting in Rabat, Morocco on Friday, Team SA found

the going tough, with sprinter Simon Magakwe the only other athlete to make the podium on the night.

Magakwe finished third in the 100 metres in 10.11 with line honours going to Jamaican Tyquendo Tracey in 10.03.

Team SA ended in 7th place in the eight-nation competition with 135 with the Americans winning with a massive 219, and Poland next best on 162.

The athletics action now shifts back to the lucrative Diamond League, with the 10th leg of the 14-event competition set to take place in Monaco on Friday.

*Citizen*



**PARIS - Two French football supporters have died as violence erupted across the country following Sunday night's World Cup win.**

Cops used water canons on crowds when the country became two-time world champions after beating Croatia 4-2 in Moscow.

In the Alpine city of Annecy, a 50-year-old France fan died after

breaking his neck when he jumped into a canal at the end of the team's World Cup win.

Then, in nearby Saint-Felix, there was another death when a man in his 30s crashed his car into a tree as he celebrated the win.

Elsewhere, riot squads used tear-gas to keep crowds in order.

A police source in Paris said: "Rioting broke out soon after mid-

night as large crowds refused to disperse.

"Shops, including the Publicis Drugstore close to the Arc de Triomphe, were ransacked.

"Windows were smashed and officers who intervened were attacked.

"There have been scenes of absolute chaos that have spoiled the party."

Some of the worst scenes were in central Paris, where the Champs

Élysées remained closed in the early hours of yesterday following widespread rioting and looting.

As the trouble intensified, the authorities shut all transport links, including Metro services and other local trains.

More than 4 000 police and security forces had been deployed across the French capital in case of trouble following France's first World Cup win for 20 years.

There was also serious trouble in the eastern city of Lyon, where hundreds of youths went on the rampage, attacking cars and setting fire to wheelie-bins.

Public fountains and other monuments in cities such as Bordeaux and Marseille, as well as Lyon, were filled with youths brandishing flares and throwing bottles.

French police fired teargas and dispersed crowds from the Champs Élysées late on Sunday after clashes with a small group of unruly fans threatened to spoil the celebrations.

France had mobilised around 110 000 security staff for the Bastille Day festivities on Saturday and World Cup soccer final on Sunday.

Fans parties in the streets as thousands gathered at the Eiffel Tower and Champ de Mars to watch their nation in action on the big screen.

*Daily Star*



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## 'Thank you heroes' - press hail Croatia squad

**ZAGREB - Croatian media yesterday hailed their team as heroes after the small country's historic success in reaching the World Cup final where France beat them 4-2.**

"Thank you, heroes! - You gave us everything!" read the Sportske Novosti frontpage.

"Vatreni" (the 'Fiery Ones' in Croatian), you are the biggest, you are our pride, your names will remain written in gold forever!" the newspaper said.

It showed a photo of captain Luka Modric who was awarded the Golden Ball for the best player at the tournament, holding a trophy, although with a sad face after the defeat.

"Brave hearts - You made us proud," said Jutarnji List daily. "Croatia celebrates you, you are our gold!" echoed the Vecernji List. It noted that for the past month coach Zlatko Dalić's team "made Croatia better". "They restored pride, pulled it out of the pessimism" reigning in the country whose economy remains among the weakest in the European Union. *AFP*

## Paris renames metro stations to honour WC stars

**PARIS - Six Paris metro stations were temporarily renamed in honour of France's World Cup winning champions after their 4-2 roller-coaster victory against Croatia.**

Among the changes, station Victor Hugo became 'Victor Hugo Lloris', named after the team's captain and goalkeeper, whose second half mistake gave Croatia faint hopes of a late comeback.

The metro stop at Bercy has become 'Bercy les Bleus', a play on words to thank the team. The station Avron has taken the name 'Nous Avron Gagne', a play on the French to mean 'We have won'.

Charles de Gaulle-Etoile was turned into 'On a 2 Etoiles', meaning 'We have two stars' - referring to the country's first World Cup win on home soil in 1998 and last night's victory in Russia.

Notre-Dame des Champs has become 'Notre Didier Deschamps', while Champs-Élysées-Clemenceau has been changed to 'Deschamps Elysees-Clemenceau'



- both stations pay tribute to the team's coach Didier Deschamps, who was also a midfielder in the 1998 side.

The changes represent "winks" to the team, Paris transport operator RATP said yesterday.

It said the squad will use an open top double-decker electric bus to greet fans

between the Place de l'Etoile, site of the Arc de Triomphe, and the Elysee Palace.

The players were expected to land at Roissy Airport yesterday afternoon and taken directly to the celebrations before being received by President Emmanuel Macron.

*AFP*

## World Cup: Finalists to share \$66m FIFA prize money

**MOSCOW - FIFA will award the winners of the 2018 World Cup final France \$38m in prize money while Croatia, the runners-up in Sunday's showpiece at Moscow's Luzhniki stadium will receive \$28m.**

Both amounts are a \$3m increase on those awarded to the finalists of the 2014 tournament in Brazil, in which Germany beat Argentina.

Belgium will receive \$24m for their victory on Saturday in the third-place playoff in St Petersburg, \$2m more than fourth-placed England.

In total, the pot of prize money for the 2018 finals in Russia has increased by almost \$50m, up to \$400m this year compared to \$358m four years ago.

France competed in their third



World Cup final of the last 20 years, having won the trophy for the first time ever on home soil in 1998 and then losing the 2006 final in Germany to Italy in a penalty shootout.

Croatia, playing in their first ever major international final, were beaten in the 1998 semi-finals by France.

*Punchng.com*

## Three Soccer World Cup 2018 stars, flops

**MOSCOW - Kylian Mbappe and Luka Modric - at different ends of their careers - have dazzled in Russia to help propel France and Croatia to Sunday's Soccer World Cup final.**

Four years ago Germany were in the same position, but the holders were sent home in the group stages, while another chance of World Cup glory for Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo slipped by.

Here are the tops and flops from a month-long festival of football in Russia:

### STARS

#### Kylian Mbappe

Hardly an unknown following a \$210 million transfer from Monaco to Paris Saint-Germain, Mbappe became a global phenomenon after tearing



**STARS: Luka Modric and Kylian Mbappe.**

Argentina apart in a thrilling 4-3 last-16 win.

In scoring twice, Mbappe, 19, became the first teenager since Pele in 1958 to

score multiple times in the same World Cup game.

#### Luka Modric

Fresh from winning a fourth Champions League in five seasons with Real Madrid, Modric boosted his case to be considered the world's best midfielder with three man-of-the-match awards before the final.

#### Eden Hazard

It was another case of what might have been for Belgium's 'golden generation', who lost their semi-final defeat against France by the finest of margins. But unlike four years ago and at Euro 2016, Hazard showed his full range of skills on the international stage.

*AFP*

## Deschamps' World Cup win a triumph for substance over style

**MOSCOW - Didier Deschamps' France side have not always won admirers for their way of playing at this World Cup, but that will not matter to the hundreds of thousands celebrating on the streets back home after their final victory over Croatia.**

France won 4-2 at the Luzhniki Stadium in Moscow on Sunday, with star men Antoine Griezmann, Paul Pogba and Kylian Mbappe all scoring as they lifted the trophy for the second time in their history.

They are the first team to score four times in the final since Pele's great Brazil side beat Italy 4-1 in Mexico in 1970, and the match was the high-

est-scoring World Cup final since England's 4-2 victory against West Germany back in 1966.

It was achieved with a brilliantly talented set of players, embodied by 19-year-old Mbappe, not even born when France last won it in 1998 and now the youngest player to score in a World Cup final since Pele in 1958.

He had already lit up this tournament with his electric performance against Argentina, scoring twice in his side's 4-3 win in Kazan in the last 16. However, these two high-scoring encounters do not provide an accurate picture of the way Deschamps' team have played in this competition. *AFP*

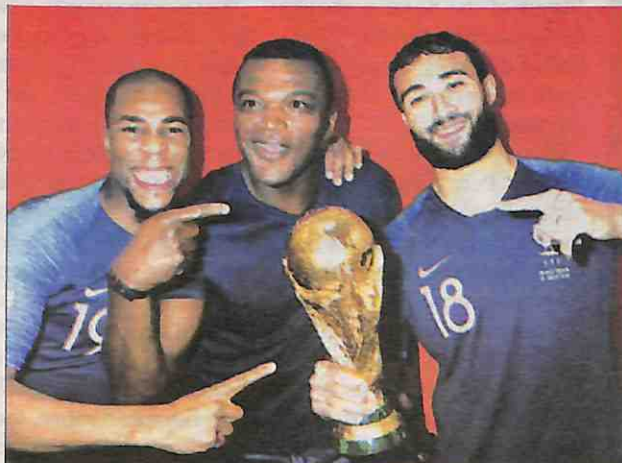
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**TEAM SPIRIT:** Umtiti alongside Dembele, Desailly, Sidibe, Fekir and Mbappe as they celebrate after winning the biggest prize in football. (Pics: Daily Mail)

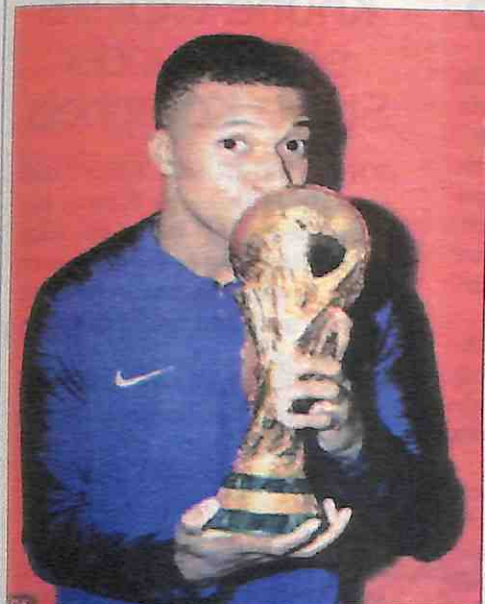


**OUR PRIDE:** Djibril Sidibe and Nabil Fekir pose with former France international and 1998 World Cup winner Marcel Desailly.

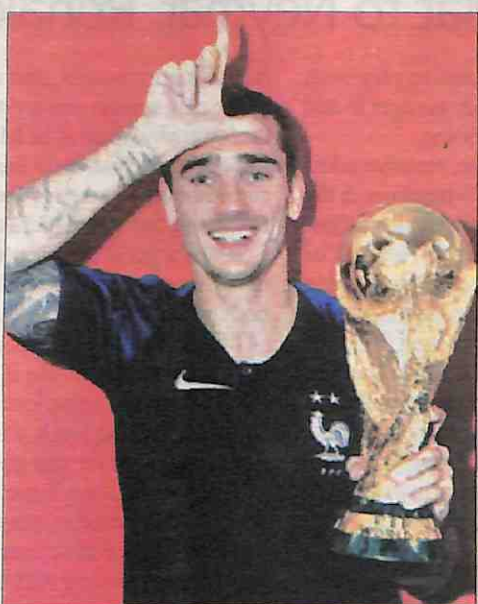
**Mbappe, Modric & World Cup 2018 team of the tournament**

- 1 Jordan Pickford | GK | England
- 2 Raphael Varane | CB | France
- 3 Domagoj Vida | CB | Croatia
- 4 Diego Godin | CB | Uruguay
- 5 Kevin De Bruyne | RM | Belgium
- 6 Luka Modric | CM | Croatia
- 7 N'Golo Kante | CM | France
- 8 Ivan Perisic | LM | Croatia
- 9 Kylian Mbappe | FW | France
- 10 Eden Hazard | FW | Belgium
- 11 Antoine Griezmann | FW | France

**Goal**



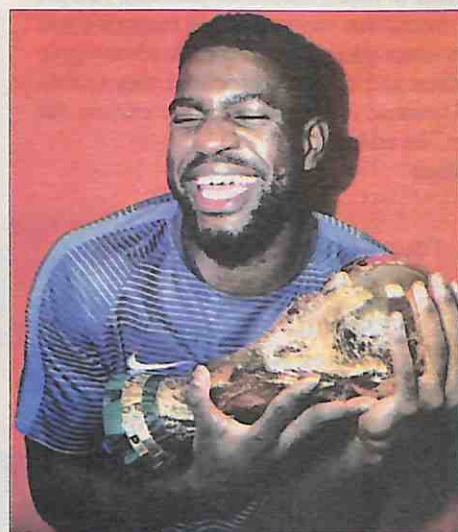
**KISS:** Kylian Mbappe, who starred at the World Cup at just 19 years of age, proudly holds the World Cup trophy aloft on Sunday.



**MY STYLE:** Atletico Madrid star Griezmann tries out a variety of poses during the special photo-shoot in Moscow.



**TIGHT:** Blaise Matuidi poses by throwing his left hand into the air, while holding the much-desired trophy tightly in his other.



**MY BABY:** Barcelona centre back Samuel Umtiti holds on very tightly to the World Cup during Sunday's brilliant photoshoot.



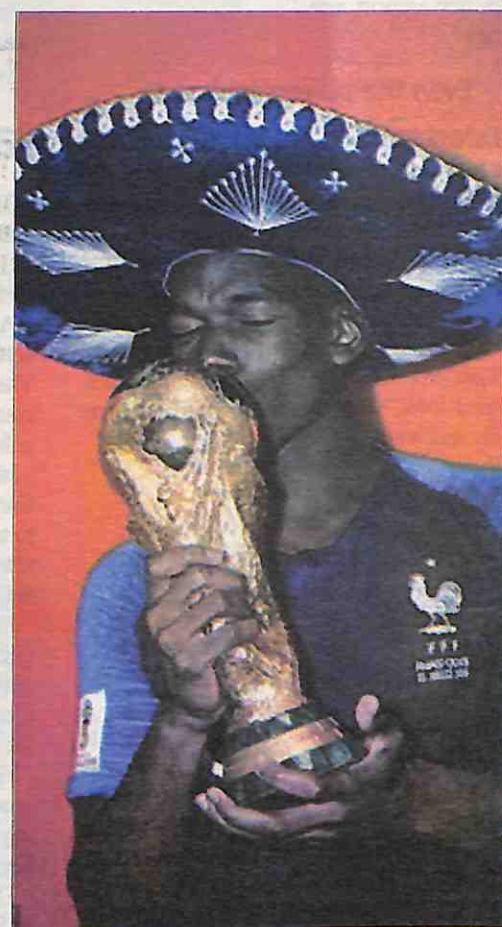
**I MADE IT:** Hugo Lloris shows off his World Cup winners medal, as well as the trophy just moments after lifting it in Moscow.



**WOW:** France right back Benjamin Pavard, a Bayern Munich target, holds the World Cup trophy aloft while gazing straight at it.



**GOALKEEPER'S UNION:** Lloris parades the trophy, while Steve Mandanda and Alphonse Areola cheer on beside him.



**FEELING IT:** Paul Pogba kisses the World Cup trophy on Sunday.



## BRIEFS

### Chansa backs Zambian duo to shine at Pirates

**JOHANNESBURG** - Former Orlando Pirates star Isaac Chansa has tipped Augustine Mulenga and Justin Shonga to succeed at the Buccaneers.

Chansa is aware that his time at Pirates might have influenced Mulenga and Shonga to join Pirates but he would let him write his own history with the Soweto giants. "I read an article where Mulenga said that he wanted to emulate me. While that was encouraging, and even flattering, I told them both that they have talents which surpass what I did with the team," Chansa told the Pirates website. "I told them to just follow their dreams and remember with everything they're doing that they are professional footballers. Pirates is a big team and there is nowhere to hide because the platform you get here means that supporters will recognise you everywhere you go. I told them to always give their best and if they stay focused, they will do well because the possibilities are endless for them," he added.

*Citizen*

### Young Chiefs defender joins Sundowns

**JOHANNESBURG** - Mamelodi Sundowns have signed young Kaizer Chiefs defender Tristan Luke Moses.

Moses, who is an Amakhosi development graduate, confirmed the move on his Twitter account. "I'm happy to announce that I've joined the Masandawana family. God has always been there for me and will always be there for me and my family. I want to thank Mamelodi Sundowns and the president for showing belief in me. Looking forward to working and growing with the team," tweeted the defender. "I am sad to leave the club (Chiefs) but happy for the new opportunity."

*Citizen*

### 'Even the players look sad'

**JOHANNESBURG** - Kaizer Chiefs unveiled their new home and away kits ahead of the 2018/19 season early yesterday morning. Amakhosi have continued with their famous traditional black and gold for their new home kit, and made some changes to the away one. Last season, the Glamour Boys donned a black strip with gold stripes for their away games; this time around, they went for a completely different look, with the colour purple being heavily featured.

*Citizen*

### Local soccer community can learn lessons offered by Russia 2018

**JOHANNESBURG** - There's something faintly uncomfortable about the World Cup, which concluded on Sunday. It's been brilliant and epic and wonderful to watch, but it's also brought a stark reminder of just how far removed South Africa is from this rarefied world of power and precision. We cheer when a local side puts together eight or 10 passes, or a game produces three goals. At the World Cup that has been standard fare. In Russia, the shot takers have been surgical and direct, the pace has been heady and the organisation and control slick.

*IOL Sport*

## TAU FOLLOWING PLAYER OF YEAR COMPATRIOTS TO EUROPE

**DURBAN** - Winning the Premier Soccer League (PSL) Player of the Season should be the pinnacle for every footballer desiring to ply their trade in Europe if history is anything to go by.

The reigning Footballer of the Season, Percy Tau is on the verge of making his big career move to English Premier League outfit, Brighton & Hove Albion.

The mercurial Tau dazzled last season and was much admired by the fans as he inspired Mamelodi Sundowns to an ABSA Premiership triumph with his individual brilliance.

He shared the PSL Golden Boots award with Polokwane City's hard-working Rodney Ramagalela, and his move to

Europe is the result of diligence, commitment and hunger.

Tau is now going to follow in the footsteps of other football greats who were PSL Footballers of the Season and went on to earn lucrative European contracts. The trend commenced back in 1999/00 when Siyabonga 'Bhele' Nomvete carved through opponents with his pace, skill and verve while donning the colours of Kaizer Chiefs.

In that season, Nomvete was crowned the Footballer of the Season and that was followed by a European move, the well travelled talisman penning a deal with Italian Serie A outfit, Udinese.

In the following season, Benjani Mwaruware took the PSL by

storm as he mesmerised opposition defences with magic feet during his spell with Jomo Cosmos. At the end of 2000/01, Mwaruware moved abroad. Being PSL Footballer of the Season is clearly a big stepping-stone into Europe and the beleaguered yet talented Mbulelo 'Old John' Mabizela is another star who earned a big European deal following his Footballer of the Season gong. Mabizela was a colossal figure when Orlando Pirates clinched the Castle Premiership in 2002/03.

He was spotted by Tottenham Hotspur during their visit to South Africa. He played some of his best football then and the English giants signed him straight away. *Sunday Independent*



## Katsande compares Billiat to Neymar, Ronaldo

**JOHANNESBURG** - Kaizer Chiefs midfielder Willard Katsande is happy that Amakhosi signed national teammate Khama Billiat.

Katsande is rumoured to have played a role in Amakhosi netting their biggest signing thus far as he fetched Chiefs' Football Manager Bobby Motaung from the airport in Zimbabwe and drove him to Billiat's home to meet and speak to his parents.

Katsande, however, declined to speak on his role but admitted Billiat would add some much needed impetus to the team.

"We know what kind of a player Khama is. When he came to the village (in Naturena), he changed the whole dimension of the players around him," said Katsande.

"Everybody wants to play with him and everybody is eager to add onto what he is doing.

"He is a massive, massive addition to the team. When he is in the game, the game is totally different. 'It's like having Neymar or Ronaldo in your team. He is going to give the guys around him confidence to perform well."

"It's not a good thing that the team has gone this long without a trophy because we are here to make history in the right way. We aren't here to make history in a negative way," continued Katsande.

"We have that at the back of our minds that we haven't won a trophy in the last three seasons. We have sat down as players and spoke about it.

"We are in pain but what we can

do is lick our wounds, start afresh in the new season and try to win the first trophy which is the MTN8."

Meanwhile, Katsande has welcomed the appointment of Giovanni Solinas as the new Chiefs coach.

"It was a good decision to hire him," Katsande said. "He is somebody who I've admired.

"I liked the way he was coaching Free State Stars. He is going to add value to our team. Everybody is eager to start to work with him and see how far we can go.

"His team always have discipline, balance and they play exciting football. We have that quality in terms of playing with the ball and knocking it around. His philosophy is good for the team, the players and the supporters."

*Citizen*

## Jali has scores to settle in CAF Champions League

**JOHANNESBURG** - Andile Jali, who lost in the final of the 2013 Champions League with Orlando Pirates, is back in the CAF Champions League to settle old scores.

The Brazilians' match in Togo could be Jali's first in Sundowns colours.

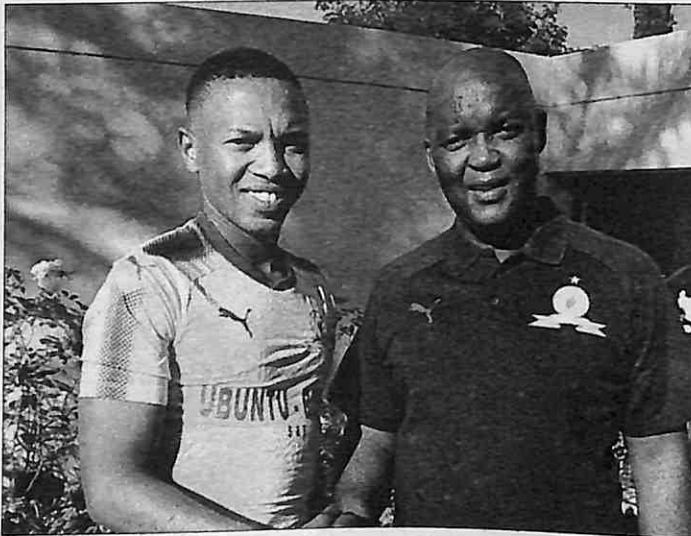
Jali is part of the Mamelodi Sundowns squad that is in Togo to take on AS Togo-Port this afternoon in Lome in the group stage of the competition.

"It's a good thing that I am back in the country and I am playing for a team that's in the Champions League," Jali told the Sundowns website.

"That's the one thing that I want to win. It wasn't nice losing in the final. I have told myself that my time will come."

This match could be Jali's first in Sundowns colours.

"I can't say what people will see from me. They'll just have to wait and see. They'll see how



**GOING ALL OUT: Andile Jali and Mamelodi Sundowns coach Pitso Mosimane.**

much I have grown on the field," Jali said. "It's good that I am in a team that wants to win every tournament they participate in. That's when the competition for places comes in. That's when you must fight to show how good you are."

The Brazilians have collected just two points after two matches against Wydad Casablanca of Morocco and Guinea's Horoya.

Two points separate them from the top two teams in their group.

*Citizen*

## Khune explains pitfalls under Steve Komphela

**JOHANNESBURG** - Kaizer Chiefs captain Itumeleng Khune has explained what led to the team struggling under former coach Steve Komphela, and is optimistic of a turnaround under their new mentor.

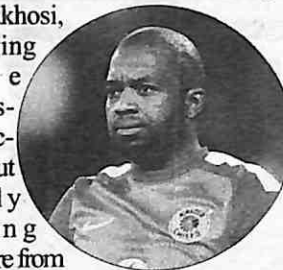
Chiefs last week welcomed a new coach in Giovanni Solinas as a replacement for Komphela, who departed the club in April after three barren seasons and has since joined Bloemfontein Celtic.

The former Bafana Bafana caretaker coach endured a turbulent reign at Amakhosi, managing

some impressive victories but mostly coming under fire from the club's supporters for his playing philosophy as well as his failure to deliver silverware.

While some players often came to his defence in the media, Khune has since lifted the lid on how the players struggled to adjust to Komphela's methods, and hopes to restore their pride of winning trophies under the tutelage of their new Italian coach. "It's important that we just get results; we have to play entertaining football and we have to go back to winning trophies. I mean, that's our culture," said Khune.

"We as players told ourselves that we don't want to be remembered as the generation that won trophies and also the generation that broke records of not winning trophies. 'We've tasted victory, having won trophies under coach Stuart Baxter. He left and we were struggling a bit under coach Steve, because a lot of us couldn't adjust to what he wanted from us as players."





● Real Madrid will have to pay a world record transfer fee in excess of £200m for Chelsea to agree to the sale of Belgium international Eden Hazard, 27. (*Times - subscription required*)

● Chelsea's Belgium goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois says the contract he has been offered by the Blues is 'different than I can have' elsewhere. The 26-year-old has been linked with Real Madrid. (*Mirror*)



● Liverpool have made an offer for Barcelona's Dutch goalkeeper Jasper Cillessen, 29. (*Mundo Deportivo, via Talksport*)

● England defender Luke Shaw, 23, is prepared to leave Manchester United as a free agent if he does not establish himself as Jose Mourinho's first-choice left-back this season. (*Manchester Evening News*)

● Fulham are set to make an ambitious move for Bordeaux's Brazilian winger Malcom, 21. (*Sun*)

● Lyon chairman Jean-Michel Aulas is open to Liverpool renewing their efforts to sign 24-year-old France attacking midfielder Nabil Fekir. (*Le10 Sport, via Liverpool Echo*)



● Besiktas have been offered West Ham's English striker Andy Carroll, 29, on loan. (*Fanatik, via 90min*)

● Crystal Palace have joined Bournemouth in the race for Brentford's £8m-rated English forward Ollie Watkins, 22. (*Sun*)

● Derby boss Frank Lampard is close to signing Liverpool's Wales winger Harry Wilson, 21, on loan. (*Mirror*)

● Everton are interested in Espanyol defensive midfielder David Lopez. The 28-year-old Spaniard is also a target for Valencia and Real Betis. (*Mundo Deportivo*)

● Manchester City's Spanish midfielder Brahim Diaz, 18, says he is not looking for a loan move next season in order to get first-team experience. (*Manchester Evening News*)



● Napoli president Aurelio de Laurentiis says the Serie A side were offered Cristiano Ronaldo before the 33-year-old Portugal forward joined Juventus from Real Madrid. De Laurentiis says he decided against signing Ronaldo because it would have "risked pushing the club towards bankruptcy". (*Gazzetta dello Sport, via Goal*)

## COSAFA rivals to challenge Jordaan's bid for top Fifa post

JOHANNESBURG - South African Football Association (SAFA) President Danny Jordaan will face opposition from his counterparts in the Seychelles and Malawi in his bid to win a nomination from the COSAFA region for the vacant African Anglophone seat on the FIFA General Council.

Jordaan has submitted his nomination along with Seychelles federation president Elvis Chetty and Malawi football head Walter Nyamilandu-Manda.

COSAFA decided two years ago that should positions become vacant for Confederation of African Football (CAF) or FIFA positions, they would endorse just a single candidate to give that individual the best chance of success.

Jordaan is hoping to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of scandal-hit Ghana Football Association president Kwesi Nyantakyi, which can only be filled by an individual



**CHALLENGED:** FIFA President Gianni Infantino (R) stands next to President of the South African Football Association Danny Jordaan during a visit to the SAFA House in Soweto.

from English-speaking countries on the continent.

SowetanLIVE has previously reported that Jordaan was approached by leaders in the Southern African region to make himself available, but does face some opposition ahead of the deadline for submissions of nominations to FIFA on Friday.

Chetty is in his second term as Seychelles federation president and is a former member

of the FIFA Club World Cup organising committee.

He is also a former vice-chairman of the CAF disciplinary committee and a current member of the Africa Cup of Nations (Afcon) organising committee.

Nyamilandu-Manda is a long-serving member of the Cosafa executive committee and is vastly experienced in football administration in the region.

*Times Live*

## Courtois over David De Gea, Alisson

LONDON - In 2014, Real Madrid bought the best goalkeeper of the World Cup and four years on they look set to repeat the exercise by signing Thibaut Courtois.

After the Brazil World Cup they picked off Keylor Navas. The Costa Rican had not lifted the Golden Glove award because World Cup winner Manuel Neuer had been awarded it but Navas was outstanding throughout the tournament.

The 27-year-old went from Levante to Real Madrid for a meagre £7.9m as a result of his performances in Brazil.

Courtois was announced goalkeeper of the tournament on Sunday and could be Real Madrid's for around €40m (£35.2m) - a price that suits Madrid because it makes him cheaper than David De Gea and Roma's Alison Becker.

### Accepted

It may also suit Chelsea if they have accepted that Courtois' refusal to sign a new contract, making him a free agent at the end of the season, is not going to change.

New Real Madrid coach Julen Lopetegui, a former goalkeeper, wants competition in that

position for the team this year. His predecessor, Zinedine Zidane, rejected the club's proposal last January to sign young Spanish keeper Kepa Arizabalaga. He saw it as a vote of no-confidence on Navas.

Zidane's faith in Navas was repaid as he put in outstanding performances to help the team win their third-straight Champions League.

*Daily Mail*



**JOINS TEAM-MATES:** Mesut Ozil.

## Ozil to travel with Arsenal to Singapore

LONDON - Mesut Ozil will travel with Arsenal for their pre-season tour of Singapore, the Gunners' new head coach Unai Emery confirmed yesterday.

Following the shock early exit of Germany from the World Cup, playmaker Ozil has been on holiday and has yet to return to pre-season training, with Emery instead working with those Arsenal players not involved in Russia 2018.

Emery, appointed after the long-serving Arsene Wenger stepped down at the end of last season, saw his first game in charge of the North London giants end in a relaxed 8-0 win over non-league Boreham Wood on Saturday, with new signings Sokratis Papastathopoulos and Matteo Guendouzi both involved.

The Gunners boss confirmed yesterday that, in addition to Ozil, Egypt's Mohamed Elneny and Nigeria's Alex Iwobi, who were also eliminated from the World Cup at the group stage, would play a full part in the Singapore tour, with Arsenal travelling on July 22.

"All the players are the same," Emery told Arsenal Player.

"They have the same holidays. I know Iwobi, Elneny and Mesut Ozil. He's coming with us to Singapore the first day," the Spaniard added.

Arsenal will play Paris Saint-Germain, Emery's former club, and Europa League holders Atletico Madrid in Singapore as part of the International Champions Cup.

Ozil came under fire for his lacklustre displays at the World Cup, where 2014 champions Germany finished bottom of their group.

It followed criticism of the 29-year-old's performances during the latter stages of last season, with former Arsenal defender Martin Keown accusing him of not "giving everything", having signed a new contract in January.

AFP

## Ronaldo undergoes Juventus medical ahead of £100m move

TURIN - Cristiano Ronaldo's Juventus medical is well under way as the superstar prepares to officially finalise his £100million move to the Italian giants.

Images released by Juve show their super-fit new talisman undertaking the procedures before becoming the latest star name at the Allianz Stadium.

Hundreds of excited Juventus supporters greeted Ronaldo as he arrived at the club's medical centre to complete his £100million move from Real Madrid.

The Portuguese touched down in Turin in a private jet on Sunday evening and arrived at the J Medical Centre adjacent to the club's Allianz Stadium for tests yesterday morning.

He signed autographs for some of the waiting crowd, who chant-

### SUPER-FIT: Cristiano Ronaldo.



ed his name and cheered. As Ronaldo walked back into the medical centre, he sang 'Juve, Juve'.

After heading inside the building, Ronaldo was quickly given training wear to put on and sported the famous Juventus logo for

the first time.

Assuming the 33-year-old passes his medical, Ronaldo will be officially unveiled as a Juventus player inside the stadium at 5.30pm UK time.

No complications are expected, with Ronaldo frequently cited as one of the fittest, most model professional athletes in the sport.

The Portuguese superstar has only recently returned from a short family holiday in Greece, where he headed to following his country's elimination from the Russia World Cup at the hands of Uruguay.

In the meantime, Ronaldo is due to meet Juventus manager Massimiliano Allegri and his new team-mates having formally completed his transfer from Real Madrid. *Daily Mail*

# UNDER-13 **BUILD IT** TOURNAMENT

@Buhleni



**GONGS:** The trophies at stake on display. This was during the Under-13 Build It tournament which was held at Buhleni over the past weekend. (Courtesy pics)



**MY GOALIE:** A team captain introducing his players to the guests.



**PASS:** A Buhleni player tries to negotiate his way past a Sihhoye opponent.



**CHAMPS:** Buhleni Aces celebrate after being crowned champions.



**POWER TO THE YOUTH:** The day started off with a march in the streets of Buhleni.



**THE BEST:** Aces captain Mpendulo Mtsetfwa receives the trophy.



**MY BALL:** A JB United player and a Ntjwakeni United player fight for the ball.



**INTERESTED:** Spectators following the matches with keen interest.

## CAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE PREVIEW...

# TOP OF THE TABLE CLASH AS BIRDS TAKE ON SAHEL

M. Swallows vs Etoile Du Sahel  
Mavuso Sports Centre, 3pm

By Sibongiseni Zondi

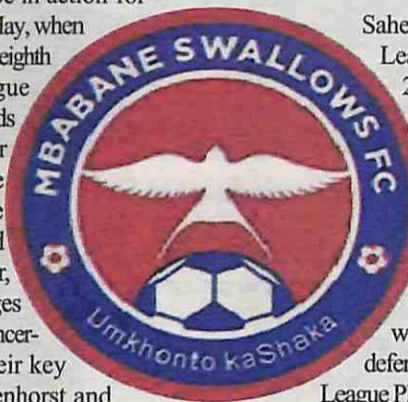
**SOCCER** – IT will be a Group D top of the table clash when Mbabane Swallows take on Tunisian giants Etoile Du Sahel in the CAF Champions League at Mavuso Sports Centre today.

The two sides have almost identical records coming into today's third group stage match. Both have four points from their opening two matches, having won one and drawn the other of their respective two matches. Today the Champions League group stage reaches its halfway stage with Group D leaders Sahel and Swallows looking to maintain their unbeaten records. Swallows will be in action for

the first time since May, when they wrapped up their eighth MTN Premier League title. Since then, the Birds have lost playmaker Benele 'Pupu' Sikhondze to Polokwane City, but have also bolstered their squad with five new signings. However, Thabo 'Koki' Vilakati's charges have also been affected by the uncertain futures of several of their key player, including Felix Badenhorst and Sandile 'Nkomishi' Ginindza.

All those issues will need to be put aside, however, for today's clash against Sahel, who are former African champions, having won the Champions League in 2008.

Sahel coach Chiheb Lilli has promised to set up his side to be offensive but stable today. Lilli also told the media during a press conference yesterday that they knew almost everything about Swallows, so the home side will have their work cut out for them today.



Sahel have also been Champions League runners-up twice, in 2004 and 2005 so they have the pedigree in this competition. No doubt this will be Swallows' biggest test in this year's Champions League campaign. The Birds will need their experienced defence, led by last season's MTN

League Player of the Season Mandla Palma, to be calm today. In midfield, Swallows will hope anchorman Njabulo 'D4D' Ndlovu will once again rise to the occasion

## POSSIBLE SWALLOWS STARTING XI:

1. Mathabela
2. Mabila
3. Mkhweli
4. Umukoro
5. Palma
6. Ndlovu
7. Tony
8. Papi
9. Hlatjwako
10. Badenhorst
11. Nhleko



**WARMING UP:** Tunisian giants Etoile Du Sahel during their training session yesterday ahead of today's CAF Champions League game against Mbabane Swallows at Mavuso Sports Centre.



and control proceedings in the belly of the park. Veteran wingers Tony Tsabedze and Wonder 'Samba Jive' Nhleko will provide the

th and experience, while Badenhorst, if he will eventually play, will shoulder much of the goal-scoring responsibility. The towering Swallows talisman has four goals in this year's Champions League. Swallows need Badenhorst today. Whoever

plays though, this will be a stern test for the locals.



## FIFA youth coaching course gets underway

Stories by Jongile Xuba

**SOCCER – YOUTH** coaches from different teams around the country gathered at the Eswatini Football Association (EFA) Technical Centre in Lobamba yesterday for a week-long training course.

This is a FIFA supported initiative that will focus on improving and sharing the

knowledge with youth coaches. The course is facilitated by Serame Letswako, who will be in the country until Friday when the course ends. Making his remarks during the start of the programme,

Letswako made it clear that he was excited to be in the country and congratulated the EFA for hosting the course.

"It is an honour and privilege to be here in the Kingdom of Eswatini. I would like to thank the EFA for having this course as it is very pivotal towards developing football in the country. The participants should also be con-

gratulated for taking the step to improve themselves and by extension their teams," said the instructor. EFA CEO Frederick Mngomezulu thanked the instructor for coming to the country and for all the knowledge he would impart to the coaches. "The association would like to thank Letswako for making the journey to our country. It is such initiatives we are passionate about as the football mother body as they focus on grass roots development, something we feel is crucial to the long term future of football in the country." The CEO also urged the coaches to soak up as much information as possible from the course.

## Only one female at coaches course

**SOCCER – OUT** of the 25 participants who will be taking part in the course, only one was of the fairer sex and she was urged to promote the sport to her peers.

Lusoti FC Under-15 coach Philile Dlamini was encouraged by EFA CEO Frederick Mngomezulu to promote the profession and sport to more women in order to help transform the game.

"I can see there is only one lady amongst us here and I would like to applaud her for being part of what is typically

associated as a male dominated profession. We know the importance of having more women in football, and as the EFA we fully support this initiative." Dlamini said she was the only female coach and that was challenging and rewarding too. "I have always been the only female attending such courses. It is a challenging job to be a coach but it is easier for me as I work with Under-15s. I am always learning something new and I encourage more of my sisters out there to come join me on the technical bench."

FIFA WORLD CUP  
RUSSIA 2018

...WITH LULU

The downside of having been aware of this result is that I am not excited as I should be. I knew it was going to happen, so I guess for it was more of a confirmation than anything. So I am okay, I am happy not excited and, unfortunately, I am not being a nuisance like I should be, especially because no one was buying into my prediction in the newsroom.

Over and above that, I am also a bit sad that this too must come to an end. There were days when I didn't want to write but most of the time doing this felt therapeutic. The feedback also made this worth it and a beautiful journey to go on with you, my dear readers. A part of me wishes it could go on for two more months but like everything that is great, it must come to an end. This column will be back in 2022 and I do hope that I will be writing this column from a posh hotel in Qatar, courtesy of my employer and any other sponsor that would like to come on board.

Oh, before I forget, for the next four years, Mbappe is the international bae. Sergio Ramos remains my personal bae, unfortunately, I forgot to get a replacement for him. I hope Netherlands will qualify in 2022, because I love their tracksuits and maybe, they will come with a player as hot as Robin van Persie. I also hope there will be more hot players who will make the World Cup very interesting. Also, I hope a SADC national team will qualify even though I won't be vouching for them because I am not loyal like that.

With that said ladies and gents, Goodluck and Goodbye in Somizi's voice.



# THE SUCKER PUNCH POW!

...with Mphikeleli Msibi [STRIKING, STRAIGHT AND STRENGTHENED]

## WHO IS FOOLING WHO?

**ALADEON Kola. Who is he? What has he achieved? Frankly speaking, the guy has done nothing. So what is the hullabaloo all about?**

I honestly did not want to comment on this subject, especially on a player who is yet to lift any form of silverware locally.

Perhaps Manzini Wanderers can shed better light here. Why is the maroon and white outfit stooping below low? Why are Wanderers going out of their way to frustrate a player, who has not won the team anything? Are Wanderers that desperate that they would be ready to risk everything, even their integrity, by frustrating a player who has clearly set sights in joining another team?

Well for the uninitiated and to cut a long story short: Wanderers are simply refusing to let Kola play for rivals Mbabane Swallows for three months. The red and white glamour giants had sought the services of the forward for the Champions League campaign. Kola apparently agreed, which to me was a very wise move, considering the fact that the Nigerian is a professional player, who earns his living through playing the Beautiful Game. He duly signed on the dotted line for Swallows, agreeing a three-month contract that expires in August and then return to Wanderers if they finally agree on a new contract.

Wanderers, we all know, had signed the player on loan from National First Division-bound side Pigg's Peak Black Swallows. And sadly but true, they failed to exercise their exclusive option of renewing the player's loan deal with them until Swallows came to the picture. Wanderers claim the player took E55 000 as signing-on fee and as a renewal of his contract with them. They submitted a piece of paper posing as a receipt to the Players Status Committee, arguing that the player had agreed to renew his contract. But then, where is the contract? Surely a piece of paper is not a contract but merely an acknowledgment of some sort. Swallows, on the other hand, produced their own contract, which was signed by the player.

Now the question that boggles the mind is; why would Wanderers frustrate a player,



RELEASE HIM:  
Aladeon Kola.

they themselves failed to tie down to a long term agreement? And do Wanderers seriously expect the player to return from Swallows and play for them when they have gone out of their way to frustrate him? As I see it, Wanderers do not only want to frustrate Swallows as a team but the player himself. The Wanderers officials are not being honest.

They know the truth. In their bid to save face from their supporters, Wanderers officials now want to appear saintly to their followers. They are just failing to admit that they slept on the job. Wanderers had the option of tying down Kola to a long term deal but could not do that because they knew that the player belonged to Black Swallows.

One wonders really why Wanderers officials are playing this sick game when in the past they have released players willy-nilly. I mean, it would not have been the first time they have failed to hold on to a player and, ironically, against the same Swallows side that has now signed Kola. The list is endless really. Let me make an example. Swallows signed DRC striker Yannick Okcoy as a free agent. The Mbabane giants did the same when signing Ghanaian forward Mike Mohamed. They got Mohamed on a free.

Overlapping left back Sanele Mkhweli was also signed for free as Wanderers failed to realise

they had a gem in their possession. Acrobatic shot-stopper Sandile 'Nkomishi' Ginindza was also signed free of charge with the late Swallows boss, Victor Gamedze, showing his benevolent side by offering them E70 000 compensation. Gamedze was not forced to pay Wanderers the money as the same Players Status Committee had declared that Ginindza was a free agent. Only Gamedze could have done that. Now Gamedze is no more (may his soul rest in peace), Wanderers should be made to pay for their sloppiness and failure to think outside the box.

### Frustrate

Wanderers are best advised not to make the player a scapegoat. In fact, they are starting to strike me as a selfish lot that only want to frustrate the player and, of course, their rivals Swallows.

This story will not have a happy ending for the maroon and white outfit. In fact, it is more likely that this matter will leave them with egg on their faces. It will be messy.

Wanderers should swallow their pride, beg for forgiveness from the player, release him to honour his three-month contract with Swallows, then sign him back if Kola would still be willing to play for them after this mess.

And one wonders what message Wanderers are sending to the other players in their team.

Is the team willing to go all the way and finance the case, which we have heard will go as far as FIFA? Do Wanderers have that kind of money? Or are they going to finance it using Swazi Mobile's cash? Is everything in order in their camp that they continue wasting time and resources in what looks to be a straightforward matter? Have Wanderers paid all their players what is due to them if they are ready to finance what should now be an expensive case? What message are they sending to the rest of their players? Have they signed new players? Why are Wanderers denying the player a chance to shine in a bigger stage? Is it selfishness or pure hatred? Are the team's officials trying to prove that they can frustrate a player? To me, they are just stooping so low and I don't expect such from a big team like Wanderers. Is Kola now bigger than the team? There are better things the team can fight for and not this Kola guy, who was not even their top goal scorer last season. Their captain, Lwazi 'Shana' Maziya scored more goals than this Kola, and one then wonders why the fuss then. This is definitely not the Wanderers of yesteryears. The sooner they focus on getting new players, who might be even better than this Kola, the better.

I was happy to hear their coach 'Nyanga' saying Kola must go if he wants to go. 'Nyanga' knows that players come and go. It's useless holding on to this player; surely this will send a bad message to the other players, who have been so loyal to the team. I hear Kola will not be playing today and Wanderers must definitely feed fat in that. That's how low they can go.

On a parting note, let us all support Mbabane Swallows as they will be representing the country in today's CAF Champions League match against Tunisian Etoile Du Sahel at Mavuso Trade Centre.

The 'Beautiful Birds' will have to win this match if they are to fancy their chances of making it through to the last eight of the tournament. We are fully behind you Mkhonto KaShaka, and we know you are capable of bringing joy for the nation. Good luck Mbabane Swallows.

# FIGUAREDO OFF TO MARITZBURG UNITED!

By Sibusiso Masilela

**SOCCER – MANZINI Sundowns striker Justice Figuredo is on the verge of joining ABSA Premiership side Maritzburg United.**

The former National Under-17 player is back in the country to sort his paperwork after completing a 10-day assessment with the Pietermaritzburg based side.

A source close the matter revealed that the two parties would soon conclude the move for the 'Kappa Boys' development product.

"The player is back in the country to sort out his paperwork and is expected to join Maritzburg before the end of the week as the two teams will soon begin negotiations. His belongings have been moved out of the clubhouse and he is now looking forward to join his new side," the source said.

Reports also coming within the Sundowns camp suggest that the club has enlisted the services of former Sihlangu and

Green Mamba goalkeeper Njabuliso Simelane as their new goalkeeper coach.

Simelane is said to have assumed his duties last week and is working together with newly-appointed Zimbabwean head coach Darlington Dodo.

The club's Chairman, Mark Carmichael, confirmed the developments when sought for comment yesterday.

"It is true the player is back in the country and we are still in negotiations with Maritzburg United over his proposed move to South Africa. We will inform our supporters and stakeholders as soon as we conclude the negotiations," he said.

Coming to the club's engagement with Simelane, the soft-spoken administrator said they were in talks with Simelane over a possible move to the team.

"We have invited him in order to see what he can offer as a football person and we are yet to agree to terms with him," he further said.



## Dombo set to rejoin Wanderers

By Sibusiso Masilela

**SOCCER – CONGOLESE** midfielder Mike Dombo is set to rejoin Manzini Wanderers after failing to secure a move to two A B S A Premiership sides Lamontville Golden Arrows and

Matsapha United winger is also likely to join the 'Weslians' training tomorrow in preparations for the upcoming Eswatini Telecom Charity Cup.

Dumbo's agent Kibangula confirmed talks with the hub giants when sought for comment yesterday.

"I will be having talks with Wanderers over the future of the player and we are hoping to conclude everything before the end of the week," he said.

Wanderers Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Pat Mahlalela said they were yet to hold talks with the player's agent when also contacted.

"We will be meeting with his agent before the end of the week to renew our terms with the player. We had agreed that the player would attend trials in South Africa and re-join the team if he eventually doesn't get a move with his proposed suitors," he said.

Dombo joined Wanderers last season, where he helped the coach Nyanga 'Crooks' Hlophe-led side reach the finals of the 2018 SwaziBank Cup and reach position four in the MTN Premier League.

**REJOINS: Mike Dombo**

## Jay Jay Okocha still overjoyed with meeting His Majesty

By Sibusiso Dlamini

**SOCCER – NIGERIA** legend Austin 'Jay-Jay' Okocha is still overjoyed at the opportunity of meeting His Majesty King Mswati III.

'Jay-Jay', who was in the country last week took to social media, Twitter to be precise, to express his delight of being in the kingdom as well as a thank you message to the King. "It was an honour to meet with His Majesty, the King of Swaziland. Thank you for having me. The Kingdom is wonderful, and the hospitality was out of this world," reads Okocha's caption in

his picture with His Majesty.

The former Bolton Wanderers and four-time Nigerian Footballer of the Year award star took a break from his punditry, which ran since the commencement of the 2018 FIFA World Cup which was held in Russia to make a quick visit to the kingdom.

The 44-year-old was working with the likes of former football players including Owen Hargreaves, Dwight Yorke, Andy Townsend and Samson Siasia in South Africa to share his knowledge and experience about the round-leather game as they were working for leading sports television company SuperSport.



**HAPPY MOMENTS: His Majesty King Mswati III with Austin 'Jay-Jay' Okocha.**

## We are behind you, SNSRC tells Birds

By Jongile Xuba

**SOCCER – THE** Swaziland National Sport and Recreation Council (SNSRC) has implored the country's Champions League envoys, Mbabane Swallows to do the nation proud today.

The red and white glamour giants' host Tunisia's Etoile du Sahel in Group D's top of the table clash at the Mavuso Sports Centre this afternoon. Swallows and their opponents are sharing the top table and both have four points from two games played so far.

SNSRC Media Officer Dumisani Ntiwane said yesterday that Swallows had shown that they could hold their own against some of the continent's finest sides. Ntiwane implored the Mbabane giants to once again do the country proud today.

"There is no doubt Swallows are currently doing very well and hoisting the country's flag sky high in this continental competition, which is really commendable. We want Mbabane Swallows to know that the SNSRC and indeed the Sports Movement in Eswatini is behind them and wish them well not just for their game tomorrow (today) but in the entire campaign.



**SUPPORT: Mbabane Swallows should make the country proud today.**

"They must not feel alone. They can never be alone when they are representing the country. Of course, we all know that it is no longer about them but the country.

"We know they can do it. In fact, they need to do it for this wonderful nation that has watched in agony over the years, local teams fail to leave a mark in such high profile games," Ntiwane said.

He implored the red and white glamour giants to ensure they carry home the day and urged soccer lovers to vouch with their purses by attending the game in their numbers.

"Swallows are playing at home and it should show.

We expect the nation to cram the venue to full capacity so that our local boys can have the advantage and strangle the visitors.

"This may be a game but on the field of play, Swallows players should battle as if their lives depend on its outcome.

"Swallows have done it before even against stronger opponents.

can do it again. We believe they can. We are behind them all the way," Ntiwane said.

## Lwandile, Sipho top scorers in Under-17 League

By Sibusiso Dlamini

**SOCCER – MBABANE** Swallows striker Lwandile Mkhwanazi and Green Mamba's Sipho Dlamini are the leading top goal-scorers of the Esibayeni Lodge Under-17 League.

The two are currently sitting on 20 goals apiece, with Dlamini scoring

a dozen in Green Mamba's match against Red Lions on Sunday.

The two youngsters, who have been in thrilling form all season, have scored 20 goals in 25 games and with one match left before the fat lady sings, both will be looking forward to clinching the coveted top goal scorer title, as well as the E1 500 prize money at stake.

The duo is closely followed by Young Buffaloes' Innocent Ndzinisa and Zwakele Mngometulu, who are on 16 goals apiece.

The two, who already have this year's gold medals, will be looking to finish off their campaign on a high and claim the personal achievement which was claimed by a former Buffs player in the phenomenal Likhwa

Manyatsi which earned him a nomination in the inaugural National Sports Awards.

Mbabane Highlanders' Msimisi Malindzisa and Matsapha United's Linda 'Msipiri' Msibi are the dark horses as they are also still very much in the race with 15 goals each.

They are followed by the duo of Manzini Sundown's Zwakele Mngometulu and Buffaloes' Phiwokuhle Shabangu, who have banged in 14 goals in the campaign thus far.

### Top goal scorers list

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|---------------------|-----------------|----|
| Lwandile Mkhwanazi  | Swallows        | 20 |
| Sipho Dlamini       | Green Mamba     | 20 |
| Innocent Ndzinisa   | Buffaloes       | 16 |
| Msimisi Malindzisa  | Highlanders     | 15 |
| Linda Msibi         | Matsapha United | 15 |
| Zwakele Mngometulu  | Sundowns        | 14 |
| Phiwokuhle Shabangu | Buffaloes       | 14 |

**We know everything  
about Swallows -  
Sahel coach**

By Sibongiseni Zondi

**SOCCKER - TUNISIAN** giants Etoile Du Sahel say they know everything about opponents Mbabane Swallows, ahead of the two sides' CAF Champions League clash at Mavuso Sports Centre today.

Swallows and Sahel, top of Champions League Group D with four points each, face off in what will be both sides' third group stage match of the campaign today with kick-off slated for 3pm. The Tunisians, former African champions having won the title in 2007, landed in the country on Saturday.

Addressing the local media yesterday at Mavuso, Sahel coach Chiheb Lilli said they were in the country to fight for all three points.

"We know we have the same number of points with our opponents Mbabane Swallows. That means that tomorrow's (today's) game will be very important for us and for our opponents. We are here to play to keep our first place. We have big experience in African Champions League. One of our main goals for this season is to be in the final of the Champions League. But the final is far away so it starts by one step, the first step will be tomorrow's (today's) game because after 10 days, we play again. So if we can get (win) these two games, we will consolidate our first place in this group. That's why we are here but it will not be easy. We have to fight and struggle," the coach said.

Lilli then added that they had done their homework on Swallows while adding that he would set up his side to play offensively today.

"I believe in offensive football but behind offensive football there is stability. Tomorrow (today) we will have an offensive team with big, big stability in the middle or behind. We know almost everything (about Swallows). We know they won their game in the Champions League against Primeiro De Agosto on May 15. We saw this game. We have also seen their games from a year ago so we know almost everything but the most important (thing) is that we know ourselves," Lilli added.

Meanwhile, Mbabane Swallows head coach Thabo 'Koki' Vilakati says they want to reach the quarterfinals of the on-going CAF Champions League.

"We are ready for the match even though we are not at the level in which I want us to be but we are prepared to fight until the end.

"We do respect Etoile but we want to make history for the country by getting a win and the players are geared up for the match," he said.

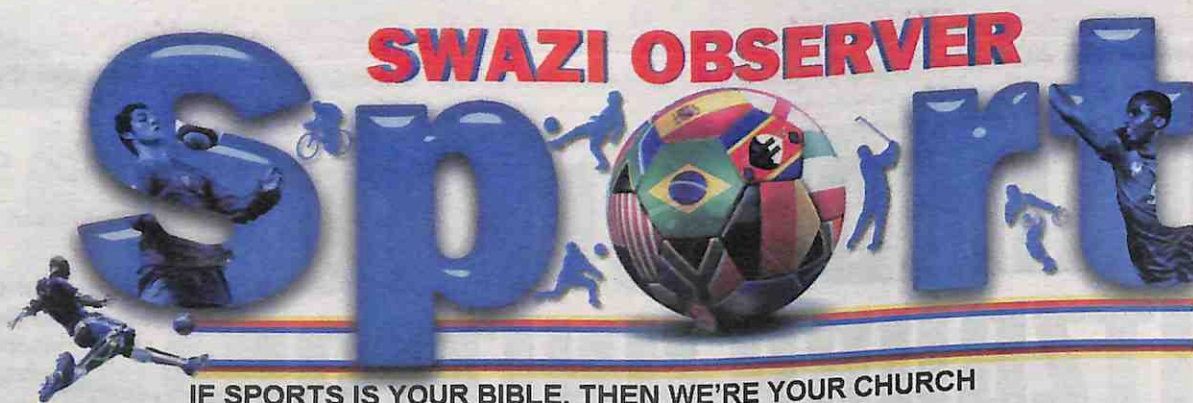
He said he was hoping they would be able to register all the players for today's clash.

"Mine is to invite the nation to come in their numbers to cheer on the players."

Its E50 to watch the match.

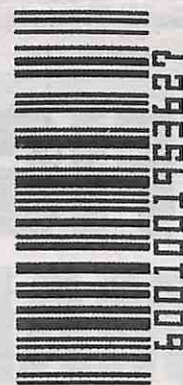


**CALM: Etoile Du Sahel coach Chiheb Lilli.** (Pic: Sibongiseni Zondi)



IF SPORTS IS YOUR BIBLE, THEN WE'RE YOUR CHURCH

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# KOLA'S E2 MILLION BUYOUT CLAUSE!

- E2 million to buy out striker from Black Swallows contract
- Player takes home E10 000 each month from Mbabane Swallows

Stories by Sibongiseni Zondi

**SOCCKER- IT will cost potential suitors not less than E2 million to buy Kola Aledeon out of his current contract with Liberation Black Swallows.**

This is contained in Aledeon's three-month contract with Mbabane Swallows which runs from June up until the end of next month. When discussing the three-month loan deal, Swallows dealt with Black Swallows, represented by their Director Charles Matsebula, who are the rightful owners of the player and have recently been loaning him out to Manzini Wanderers.

Under the buyout clause of the contract, Aledeon's buy-out fee is set at a staggering E2 million.

"It is agreed that the player shall not be sold for an amount less than the sum of E2 million or such other lesser amount, the club may determine at its sole exclusive discretion regulated by FIFA and or CAF and or the NFAS (EFA)," a section of the clause reads.

It is also stated under this clause that Swallows would be allowed to join Black Swallows when negotiating the transfer of the player to another club if that occurred during the three-month period.

"It is agreed that Liberation Black Swallows FC shall have the sole and exclusive right to negotiate and charge any fee for any transfer of the player to any team during the subsistence of this agreement. It is agreed that Mbabane Swallows shall be part of the negotiations during discussions," another part reads. However, even more strikingly, the contract stipulates that the player will give Mbabane Swallows first preference upon the expiration of the three-month loan deal in August.

"The club (Mbabane Swallows) engages the player (Aledeon)

to (be) its player effective June 1, 2018 for a period of three months till August 31, 2018. This agreement may be renewed on expiry upon new terms as the parties may agree and the player agrees that he shall give the club the first preference before making considerations of other offers," part of the contract reads.

## Contract

Moreover, the contract reveals that Aledeon takes home E10 000 as his monthly salary from Swallows, up from the E9 300 he was receiving last season at Wanderers. Aledeon also received E25 000 signing-on fee from Swallows upon signing for them back in May earlier this year.

Yesterday, the player's representative Zakhele Dlamini saw his hopes of having Aledeon play in today's CAF Champions League clash between Swallows and Etoile Du Sahel go up in smoke. Dlamini went to the High Court seeking an urgent interim order that would enable Aledeon to feature in today's match at Mavuso while his ownership case is being deliberated by world football governing body FIFA. However, the High Court postponed the matter to next Monday.



## Official: Kola to miss today's clash

**SOCCKER - KOLA Aledeon's representatives' last ditch attempt to have the player available for today's CAF Champions League clash between Mbabane Swallows and Etoile Du Sahel went up in smoke yesterday as the High Court postponed the hearing of the matter to next Monday.**

Aledeon is currently in the middle of a transfer tug of war also involving Manzini Wanderers and Swallows who both claim ownership of the Nigerian striker. After the Eswatini Football Association (EFA) Players' Status Committee (PSC) ruled on Thursday that Aledeon was a Swallows player and should be registered for the Champions League, Wanderers filed a notice of appeal which will now take the mat-

ter to FIFA. Yesterday, Aledeon's lawyer Zakhele Dlamini approached the High Court seeking an urgent interim order that would see the player register and play in the match at Mavuso Sports Centre today at 3pm.

## Available

"There is no other remedy that is available to the Applicants (Aledeon and Swallows) other than to approach this court by way of an urgency seeking interim order of *mandamus* compelling the Third Respondent (EFA Secretariat) to register the Second Applicant (Aledeon) urgently to enable him to participate on the aforementioned games," Dlamini wrote in his papers. However, High Court Judge Dorris Shabalala said time was need-

ed to peruse through all the submitted papers and, therefore, postponed the hearing of the matter to next Monday. This now means Aledeon will miss today's clash against Sahel. The player might yet still make the return leg against Sahel scheduled for July 27 away in Tunisia depending on the outcome of Monday's hearing. Also present in court yesterday were Wanderers lawyer Bongani 'Bhanyaza' Mdluli and EFA lawyer Sifiso Jele.