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FEAR: Some of the kaLaMgabhi Etiyeni community members sit idle after they were stopped by soldiers based at Mdzimba from cutting trees in the area yesterday. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)

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'Baraclava, head masks, rope found in Oliveira murder suspect's possession'

BY SANDILE NKAMBULE
High Court

AS the trial of Almor Oliveira murder suspect Qing Ming He nears completion, the court was yesterday told of how a balaclava and head masks together with illegal firearms were found in his possession.

This was revealed during the evidence of the investigating officer Detective Superintendent Derrick Makhanya who was led by South African Advocate Gerald Lapan before Judge John Magagula.

According to Makhanya, their investigations led them to Qing Ming, his wife and girlfriend who were found at Ezulwini where his girlfriend resides.

Makhanya told the court that they introduced themselves as police officers investigating the kidnapping of Almor Oliveira and subsequently, his murder.

He further, in his evidence, said they asked to search the house where they found head masks and a rope suspected to have been used in the commission of the offence.

Assorted

Their investigations further led them to Qing Ming's flat at Matsebula flats in Manzini where illegal firearms were found in his possession; with only one of the three guns found legally licenced.

One of the guns is a pump action shot gun and an assorted number of live rounds of ammunition.

After the investigations, the three, according to Makhanya, were subsequently arrested and charged with the offences.



MURDERED: Businessman Almor Oliveria.

However, during the course of their further investigations, the two, Dao Thanda Hue (Ming's wife) and his girlfriend were released after being exonerated from the crime.

Further evidence given by Makhanya was to the effect that Qing Ming cut off his fingers and when he was asked about same, he did not respond as he remained mute.

Demand

The police wanted him to punch his PIN code on his cellphone as they were going about their investigations.

Messages on some of the SIM cards reflected that there was communication between the user of the card and Oliveira's wife, messages where a sum of E5 million was demanded as ransom.

One of the SIM cards was for a South African number which was not registered with the mobile phone service provider while the others were from local cell numbers of Eswatini.

During cross-examination, seasoned South African-based Advocate Barry Roux put it to

detective Makhanya that his client (Qing Ming), the accused person, denied that he had anything to do with Oliveira's kidnapping during the investigations.

Further, Roux asked Makhanya as to what really did the accused person say in as far as a number plate of a vehicle that was found in his possession and belonging to Kenneth Chirwa, is concerned.

In response, Makhanya told the court that Qing Ming said Ming told them that the number plate of that vehicle was taken by a friend after the car blocked the way. However, Makhanya said that friend never existed as they failed to locate him as claimed by Ming.

Roux further questioned Makhanya about a story that appeared in the Sunday Observer to the effect that Oliveira's gold card had apparently been recovered by the police and asked if he knew about the card.

However, Makhanya replied to the contrary as he said he was not aware of the story and the gold card.

Advocate Roux handed over from the bar, the cutting of the story that was published by the newspaper as part of his evidence.

The matter has since been postponed to December 11 and 12 for continuation as the defence is expected to put its case after the crown has closed its case.

Advocate Lapan is instructed by Principal Crown Counsel Thabo Dlamini in the matter while Roux is instructed by lawyer Noncedo Ndlangamandla of Mabila Attorneys in Association with N Ndlangamandla.

GUNSHOTS FIRED

STORIES BY MBONO MDLULI
LaMgabhi

ABOUT six gunshots were allegedly fired at LaMgabhi Etiyeni, as nearly 500 residents from the area were caught up in a fight with members of the Umbutfo Eswatini Defence Force (UEDF) stationed at the same area.

The alleged shootout is said to have happened early in the morning, at around 6am.

The bone of contention, according to the residents, is a wattle forest which is within and outside the UEDF camp situated at LaMgabhi, under Chief Mabhedla Hlophe. The soldiers are said to have denied the residents access to the forests.

This publication found the residents in a meeting a few metres from the UEDF (MP II) camp. The purpose of the meeting was to map a way forward, now that the soldiers had denied them access to the forests.

The residents, who did not want to have their names mentioned, said they wanted to harvest some wattle trees within the forests for commercial purposes.

The residents said they could not believe it when the soldiers denied them access to the forests and told them that they were the ones guarding these.

Reason

The residents said they tried to reason with the soldiers, telling them that they only wanted to use the forests to fend for themselves, as most of them were unemployed.

The soldiers, according to the residents, would hear none of that and chased the residents away.

The residents furnished the soldiers with a letter from the area's royal kraal (*umphakatsi*), in an effort to use something tangible to reason with the army.

The letter was signed by LaMgabhi Indvuna Alfred Maseko. However, that could not bear positive results, as the soldiers are said to have told the residents that the letter was out of order because the forest was not meant for commercial purposes.

The residents said six shots were fired and they did not understand why this was necessary, as if they were violent.

The residents said all they wanted was to fend for themselves through the forests, as that had been the case before.

They wondered if it was ethical for soldiers to fire shots, six times, at unarmed individuals, who only wanted to fend for themselves.

One resident claimed that the soldiers dragged him to their camp, with an intention to beat him up.

The resident said the soldiers assaulted him such that one of them told him to relocate to another area because he would make the resident's life difficult.

The residents said they would soon convene a meeting with the *umphakatsi* and report that the soldiers denied them access to the forests up to a point of being scared off with gunshots.

UEDF Public Relations Officer Lieutenant Tengetile Khumalo said nothing had been reported to their office.

"Nothing has been reported to the office of the public relations. With that said, I can only be able to comment from an informed position," Khumalo said.

INDVUNA SHOCKED

LaMgabhi authorities are shocked by the incident between the soldiers and residents.

This was said by LaMgabhi (Etiyeni) Indvuna (Headman) Alfred Maseko.

He was reacting to the incident where the residents had a misunderstanding with soldiers on harvesting the wattle forest.

Maseko said he was shocked by the incident because the youth of LaMgabhi had approached *umphakatsi* for a permission to harvest the trees for commercial purposes.

Maseko said normally, the forests would be harvested only if a letter of consent was obtained from the *umphakatsi*.

He did not understand why the soldiers refused to let the residents have access to the forests. He said the issue was sorted with the top brass from UEDF. He wondered why such happened.

Maseko said they wanted to find ways of convening meetings with the army and the youth of LaMgabhi so they could move forward, amid the differences that exist between the parties.

Man confesses to strangling newborn baby with wife, burying it

BY SANDILE NKAMBULE
High Court

ANGERED by his wife's pregnancy knowing very well he was not the one who impregnated her, led to a man with his wife strangling the newborn baby to death before burying the remains at a secluded place.

This is a confession that was made by Wonder Fakudze who is accused of murder together with his wife Thandekile Ntjakala.

The confession was yesterday morning read and handed in as an exhibit before Judge Maxine Langwenya.

According to the indictment, the two are charged with murder in that while at Sidzandlana area in the Shiselweni region, the accused persons each or both of them acting jointly in furtherance of a common purpose, did unlawfully and intentionally kill a newborn baby boy and did thereby commit the crime of murder.

In his confession statement, Fakudze told the court that he took his wife to hospital after she complained of pains and she did not know that she was pregnant at that time.

However, upon arrival at the hospital, doctors informed him that his wife was pregnant and shocked by this, he

fainted as he was not responsible for the pregnancy.

He stated that doctors advised him not to assault his wife and they proceeded back home as he was still shocked about the pregnancy. His wife had never told him about it.

Strangled

"When the time to deliver the baby came, I together with my wife strangled the baby boy to death and we further proceeded to bury him at a secluded place," he stated in his confession.

After having killed the newborn baby, Fakudze said he went to his neighbour Mfundo Dlamini who is a prophet and upon arrival there, Dlamini told

him in the face that he could see a tomb.

It was then that he spilled it all to the prophet and told him of what he together with his wife had done.

Decision

In turn, the prophet told him that he took the wrong decision as the newborn baby's remains should have been taken to its rightful people and buried there.

Having visited the prophet, Fakudze said he went to his step-mother, one Sarah where he related everything to her and that is when the matter was reported to the police and the two were subsequently arrested and charged

with murder.

He made the confession before Nhlanguano Magistrate Musa Nxumalo, who is part of the witnesses paraded by the Crown.

About 10 witnesses were paraded and the crown yesterday indicated that it is now closing its case.

Submissions

Next Wednesday, their lawyers Sifiso Charlie Jele and Sanele Mabila are expected to make submissions in defence.

However, Jele applied that a psychiatrist or a relevant qualified personnel should be brought as a witness to give his or her opinion in as far as the matter is concerned.

Justice Maxine Langwenya then postponed the matter till next Wednesday.

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AS SOLDIERS CLASH WITH RESIDENTS

FEAR: Some of the LaMgabhi Etiyeni community members relaxing as another holds his chainsaw after they were stopped by soldiers based at Mdzimba from cutting trees in the area yesterday. (Pic: Mauduzi Mngomezulu)



FORESTS LEASED TO AN INVESTOR

The wattle forest, which is now the centre of controversy, is leased to an investor who wants to do farming.

This was said by Hhukwini Member of Parliament (MP) Nkhanyeti Ngwenya. He was reacting to the incident between LaMgabhi residents and soldiers stationed in the same area.

LaMgabhi is under the Hhukwini Inkhundla. Ngwenya said the forests were in a farm that belonged to the ministry of agriculture.

The legislator said the preparations to lease the farm to the investor by the agriculture ministry were at an advanced stage.

Ngwenya said as the *inkhundla*, they were aware that the forests which were guarded by the soldiers were helpful to the residents of LaMgabhi.

It was for that reason the MP approached the ministry of agriculture to find out what would happen to the forests, now that the farm has been leased to the investor.

"We want to find a way in which the residents can continue to use the forests even if the investor has started working," Ngwenya said.

The lawmaker further said it was important for the investor to have a good understanding with the community of LaMgabhi, as he worked on the farm. He also stated that they would find a way for the residents of LaMgabhi to be employed at the farm.

HISTORY SURROUNDING THE FORESTS

LaMgabhi residents claim that the forests guarded by soldiers at the area have always been used by the community.

community.

The residents said before the camp was given to soldiers back in 1981 by King Sobhuza II, an agricultural project was being undertaken right where the camp is situated now.

Project

The project was a tea production project, hence the referral of the place to *etiye* (the place of tea production).

Residents had to vacate that area to give way to the project to take place.

According to the residents, the tea project failed and the army was allowed to use that place.

They were allowed by King Sobhuza II, according to the residents. The residents further narrated that each homestead, before the tea project, had some wattle trees, which were multiplied to make a huge wattle forest after the tea project.

The forests are said to have multiplied further even when the soldiers were allowed to set up their camp there.

The soldiers were allowed to use the agriculture offices that were built during the time of the tea project and only the intelligence officers from the UEDF were allowed to work from there because the area was already in the wattle forest and was considered to be private.

Considered

The intelligence officers were allowed to work there because the nature of their job was considered to be secretive. The main camp was at Mdzimba.

The residents said King Sobhuza pleaded with the soldiers to live peacefully with the residents of LaMgabhi because they would need to use the forests from time to time, because that was their source of livelihood.

As time went on, the late Chief Mabhedla Hlophe realised that the forests were harvested by people from as far as

Mahlanya and Ezulwini and that was not good in his sight because the forests had to benefit the people of LaMgabhi.

The residents said the chief pleaded with the soldiers to guard the forest so that no one harvested the trees in any way.

The chief is said to have told the soldiers that a letter from the *umphakatsi* would have to be produced by anyone that wanted to use the forests.

As time went on, some residents did not go via the *umphakatsi* because they were nearer to the forests and were known to most soldiers. They would be allowed to use the forests without the letter.

Permission

The residents said the UEDF would change its personnel from time to time at the LaMgabhi camp and some soldiers were not well versed with procedure. Some soldiers, according to the residents, thought the forests were theirs because permission was asked from them.

The residents said when the soldiers sold the trees for the first time, they got permission from the chief because they wanted to set up a canteen and do other projects.

The residents said when the soldiers sold the trees for the second time (in 2014), they did not get permission from the *umphakatsi* and this did made the residents to revolt because the forests were harvested by one business person.

The residents wanted to know the beneficiary of the proceeds from the sale of the forests.

The residents said the matter was even reported to the Hhohho RA and this office stated that the residents were allowed to use the forests and the soldiers were only tasked with the responsibility of guarding these.

They stated that even the present Army Commander Lieutenant Jeffrey Tshabalala allowed the LaMgabhi residents to use the forests.

AIDS DEATHS HALVED, BUT INFECTIONS FRET LEADERS

BY KING'S OFFICE CORRESPONDENT

LYON, FRANCE – Deaths caused by HIV and AIDS have been halved since 2002 globally, with 32 million lives saved by the intervention of the Global Fund.

However, despite this progress new HIV infections remain unacceptable, malaria elimination progress has stagnated since 2015, while new TB cases have increased by 10 per cent in West and Central Africa.

These are among the key challenges that world leaders have gathered to address at the Global Fund Sixth Replenishment Conference hosted by France President Emmanuel Macron.

The conference is also attended by His Majesty King Mswati III. The Kingdom of Eswatini is a major beneficiary of the Global Fund with over US\$265 893 078 (more than E3.9 billion) being extended to the kingdom to date, to implement activities under the three epidemics and health systems strengthening programmes.

The Global Fund seeks to raise at least US\$14 billion – US\$1 billion from the private sector – for the next three years. The funds will help save 16 million

lives, cut the mortality rate from HIV, TB and malaria in half, and build stronger health systems by 2023.

"To safeguard the progress already achieved and meet the challenges ahead, the entire international community must join forces and accelerate progress towards achieving Sustainable Development Goal 3: Health and well-being for all," is the call made by Global Fund to the leaders at the conference.

The Fund raises financial resources in three-year periods known as 'replenishment cycles'.

The Global Fund's Sixth Replenishment Conference marks the beginning of the next three-year replenishment cycle, which will run from 2020-2022.

Yesterday, nine private sector organisations made new commitments to help solve critical challenges with innovative mobile and digital technology, consumer goods and finance that provide crucial technical expertise and know-how. "The Global Fund needs forward-thinking and innovative approaches if we are to end the epidemics of AIDS, TB and malaria. These commitments exemplify the private sector's expertise to help break down barriers to access health services and accelerate the fight,"

THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- ✓ The Thomson Reuters Foundation announced it will support the Global Fund's 'Breaking Down Barriers initiative' by facilitating pro-bono legal research, support and advice and capacity-building and training for non-profit groups, civil society groups, health practitioners and journalists in key countries supported by the Global Fund.
- ✓ Societe Generale, a leading international bank with a strong presence in Africa, has committed to put its expertise and resources at work to strengthen the financial and entrepreneurship skills of women in West and Central Africa in order to promote their empowerment and engagement in health programs.
- ✓ The French Business Council for Africa (Conseil français des investisseurs en Afrique - CIAN) announced the launch of its initiative for better health in Africa, known as 'Programme Santé Entreprise Afrique'. This large-scale program will leverage the CIAN's extensive membership of over 180 French companies to expand access to HIV, TB and malaria prevention and access to health services within the workplace and surrounding communities.
- ✓ MedAccess announced a US\$100 million increase in its own capital to accelerate new products to market.
- ✓ To harness the expertise of technology companies, the Global Fund will work with Mastercard, Orange, The Rockefeller Foundation; and also with Google Cloud and Microsoft to focus on identifying people with TB in India: The Global Fund will leverage Mastercard's expertise in deploying technology to support the digitisation of patient records in Africa, ultimately helping patients access health services more easily.
- ✓ Orange, one of the world's leading telecommunications carriers, will provide its mobile technology to improve data collection and access to HIV and TB services, and build stronger health systems, with a joint investment of US\$5 million to implement programmes in Morocco, Cote d'Ivoire, and the Democratic Republic of Congo.
- ✓ The Global Fund is also partnering with The Rockefeller Foundation to set up a Data Science Catalytic Fund to accelerate the use of data science to improve community health in low-income countries. The Rockefeller Foundation intends to make an investment of up to US\$15 million to capitalise the fund.
- ✓ The Global Fund will leverage Google Cloud's data analytics and visualisation expertise to help identify people with TB in India and explore how artificial intelligence (AI) can assist in faster and more accurate TB diagnosis.
- ✓ Microsoft will use artificial intelligence and machine learning to improve active TB case findings and improve treatment adherence, initially in India.

said Peter Sands, Executive Director of the Global Fund.

The event in Lyon showcased how private sector commitments are supporting the development of new and better products, such as better formulations for children to treat HIV, TB and malaria, simpler and cheaper diagnostics, and long-acting treatments, as well as reducing the time products take to reach patients.

"The private sector can play a transformational role when it comes to ending

the world's deadliest infectious diseases. We need continued investment in new technologies, health innovations and greater efficiency. This will accelerate access to newer and more effective tools, said Sherwin Charles, the Global Fund board member representing the private sector, and CEO of Goodbye Malaria.

The new partnerships are framed to innovate solutions that improve access to medicines, products and health ser-

vices, particularly for those in hard to reach areas and those that need them most.

According to Global fund, today's pledges build on those made by private sector partners earlier this year and during the World Economic Forum in Africa. These include Project Last Mile (with Coca Cola, USAID and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation), GBCHealth, Africa Health Business, PharmAccess and Zenysis Technologies.

HIS MAJESTY KING MSWATI III LANDS IN FRANCE



BAYETHE: His Majesty King Mswati III, accompanied by Inkhosikati LaMahlangu, landed safely in France where he is to participate in the Global Fund's sixth Replenishment Conference at the invitation of President Emmanuel Macron. He was on Tuesday received by Eswatini's Ambassador to Brussels Sibusisiwe Mngomezulu (r) and State Representative and Liaison Officer Alexandre Brockhard. (Pic: State Photographer: Len Mhale)

PRIME MINISTER IN TAIWAN



THANK YOU: Prime Minister Ambrose Dlamini receives a gift of the country's special flower from President of the Republic of China (Taiwan) Tsai Ing-wen. (Courtesy pics)



WELCOME: The prime minister in a meeting with the President of the Republic of China (Taiwan) Tsai Ing-wen. This was part of the many activities the PM did in Taiwan where he is representing the King.



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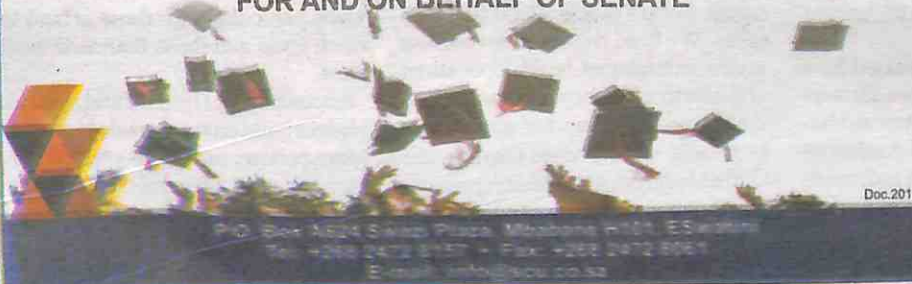
The Bachelor's degrees will be conferred on candidates who have successfully completed their studies in the following programmes: Nursing Science, Pharmacy, Medical Laboratory Sciences, Radiography, Computer Science, Psychology and Social Work.

All invited guests/attendees are urged to keep time and be seated by 0900hrs. Graduands should assemble at the Mavuso Exhibition, Trade and Sports Centre's Pavilion 6 by 0700hrs in readiness for their procession. Guests are further requested to bring along their invitation cards for admission to the graduation venue.

Ushers and Police will be available to direct traffic and assist all guests with the seating arrangements.

The University Senate congratulates the graduands on their success and wishes them well as they enter the field of work.

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Carson manager **insults**, kicks employee,

BY BONGIWE DLAMINI
Manzini

...other workers down tools

OVER 45 employees of Carson Wheels at Moneni watched in shock as their colleague was insulted, slapped and kicked by a senior manager.

It is said the incident happened at the car dealership yesterday morning.

Witnesses alleged that the manager, Mbono Motsa, uttered unpalatable insults while he charged towards the employee Bongani Mavuso whom he slapped with open hands, further kicking him.

The bone of contention, according to the witnesses, was that Mavuso had reported a Scorpion Security guard who is subcontracted by Carson Wheels to the police the previous week.

Mbono is tycoon Moses Motsa's son. Here, it is said the guard had assaulted the same employee for talking back at him when he told him and other employees that he would lock the kitchen they were in because they made it dirty.

When Mavuso asked where they were supposed to eat because the kitchen was the designated place where they could have meals, the security guard is said to have not taken kindly to the response. As a result of this incident, the matter is said to have gone to the Magistrate's Court on Monday this week where the judgement favoured Mavuso.

Before reporting to the police, Mavuso is said to have informed the company's Human Resources Manager one Gcina

Mdluli about it, but was shocked when the HR said he could not assist because the security guard was not under his supervision. Mavuso then reported that he would proceed to report the matter to the police. Mdluli, however, is said to have asked that the police not be involved as he would try to address the matter.

The day elapsed and there was no feedback to Mavuso, which meant nothing was being done. The following day, he then proceeded to report to the Manzini police.

Angered

This seemed to have angered the dealership's senior executive as when he returned to work in the afternoon on the same day, he was met by the news that the HR officer was looking for him. However, when he got to the HR's office, he was reportedly insulted and told that he was suspended. In response to this, Mavuso is said to have asked for a written letter of suspension but the HR officer allegedly refused to issue one. The employee is said to have gone to the HR officer on several occasions to ask for the letter, but he could not be assisted.

This was then that he reported his predicament to his supervisor who in turn offered to go to the HR on his behalf. Instead of being assisted, the supervisor is said to have also failed as he returned with Mbono who hurled insults at Mavuso



EMOTIONAL: Bongani Mavuso was emotional when he was asked to relay the events that led to him being assaulted by his manager.

and assaulted him in full view of other employees.

"The manager said Mavuso should leave his father's company or he would leave the premises as a corpse," said a witness.

As if that was not degrading enough, Mbono and two security guards are said to have ushered Mavuso out of the premises.

After Mavuso was thrown out, about 45 employees downed their tools and demanded an audience with their HR who reportedly blatantly refused.

The employees then assembled by the entrance of the company where they said they would wait until they were addressed by management.

"Even if this takes a week, we are ready for anything to come our way. We cannot fold arms while our colleague is being mistreated," they said.

"We want Mavuso to be reinstated or else we are not going back to work," they added.

After a long wait, one Tenele Motsa, the company's Finance Manager, addressed the employees in the company of a police officer and another individual. Tenele told the employees that the management was ready to engage them through three shop stewards. The three employee representatives went to meet the management but they said they could not talk unless all of them were addressed.

Subsequently, a meeting was set up and the resolve was that Motsa should apologise to Mavuso who was recalled back to work. However, Mbono is said to have refused and for hours, the employees waited outside their work stations until

around end of business yesterday. Eventually, they were convened by the HR officer who apologised to them and Mavuso.

When sought for comment about the matter, Mavuso became emotional and could not talk for a while. Eventually, he confirmed the account given by witnesses, and regarding the apology, he said he was still not sure whether to accept it or not because the person who wronged him refused to apologise or show remorse.

"Besides, I fear that I might be victimised once I return to work," he said. Mavuso mentioned that he would seek advice from elsewhere before making a decision.

Meanwhile, when Mbono was contacted, he vehemently denied ever assaulting Mavuso, despite having over 40 witnesses. Therefore, he said he would not apologise for something he never did. On the other hand, the HR officer Gcina Mdluli asked that he be contacted at a later hour but when this reporter contacted him again, he was reportedly engaged.

Nonetheless, the Chief Police Information and Communications Officer Superintendent Phindile Vilakati confirmed that a case had been opened by Mavuso against Mdluli and Mbono.

Even if this takes a week, we are ready for anything to come our way. We cannot fold arms while our colleague is being mistreated



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INVITATION
Tenders are hereby invited from suitable qualified service providers to supply Ellipse System server hardware for the Eswatini Electricity Company.

DETAILED TENDER DOCUMENTS
A detailed tender document is available at a non-refundable fee of SZL500.00 and can be collected from the Commercial Services Department, EEC Head Office, Mbabane. If the RFP document has been downloaded from SPPRA - Eswatini website <http://www.sppra.co.sz/>. tenderers must submit proof of payment of the requisite non-refundable fee.

SUBMISSION & CLOSING DATE
A signed and sealed tender bid clearly marked on an official envelope "CONFIDENTIAL : TENDER No.50 of 2019/20, containing separate **TECHNICAL and FINANCIAL proposals**, should be deposited in the tender box situated at the EEC Head Office, Eluvatsini Building, Mhlambanyatsi Road, Mbabane, Eswatini. The closing time for receipt of the proposals is **12:00hrs on the 31st October, 2019**. Late, faxed, emailed, incomplete or telegraphic tenders will not be considered.

It is the responsibility of all tenderers to ensure registration of their tenders on submission.

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BY SANDILE NKAMBULE
High Court

NURSE WHO DOUSED LOVER WITH PETROL GETS E15 000 BAIL

THE nurse employed by Raleigh Fitkin Memorial (RFM) Hospital who was arrested and charged with two counts of attempted murder, has been granted bail by the High Court of Eswatini.

This, after filing an urgent application for bail following her arrest by the Siteki police over the past weekend.

Represented by Manzini based senior attorney Ben J Simelane, Phumla Angel Mamba (33) appeared before High Court Judge John Magagula yesterday morning.

According to sheet, the nurse has been slapped with two counts of attempted murder.

On the first count, the accused person is said to have wrongfully, unlawfully and with intent attempted to kill Xolani Matse by throwing a flammable substance into a house in which Matse was sleeping with the intent to kill him.

Mamba faces a similar charge on

the second count, in that she allegedly attempted to kill Wendy Nyatsikati by throwing a flammable substance into the house in which the said Nyatsikati was sleeping with the sole intent to kill her.

According to Mamba in her founding affidavit, she after the incident complained of, visited her boyfriend at the Good Shepherd Hospital where he is currently under treatment until he stopped her from making visitations as his family was not comfortable with the visitations and he preferred that they communicate through WhatsApp.

Submitted

She submitted that on the day he visited his boyfriend, Nyatsikati had already been treated and discharged from the hospital; a clear sign that her life is no longer in danger.

"On September 30, the Siteki police

called me for questioning and told me that Xolani had pressed charges against me but later withdrew these. On October 4 the police called me again and this time around, they arrested me and stated that Xolani re-instated the charges hence the present charges and arrest," she submitted.

She further informed the court that the house which was burnt is a home where she and Xolani were living in as they had been in a love relationship for a period of six years and was hopeful that they would get married.

She averred that since 2018, she has been suffering from depression and has been tested by the National Psychiatric Centre and presently on medication for depression and same has to be taken daily, adding that she has not been taking the medication since her arrest.

She now fears that depression may recur due to the break of not taking her medication since her arrest and implored the court that hearing of her bail is one of urgency, hence the present application which has been filed through a certificate of urgency.

Mamba stated that the complainants in the matter are her boyfriend with whom she intends settling down with as a wife while the other one is not known to her.

Arrest

Her arrest comes after the popular traditional healer, Matse, who was in the company of a female companion, were doused with petrol and further set alight while at the Matse homestead and at the time of the incident, the assailant was unknown as she disappeared into the thick of the night.

On the day of the incident, the accused

person is alleged to have paid her boyfriend an unannounced visit and arrived late in the evening.

Noticed

Upon arrival, she noticed that her boyfriend was in the company of another woman in the house which is adjacent to the main family house.

The health practitioner is alleged to have sneaked out of the homestead and went to a filling station where she subsequently bought petrol.

Upon her return, she is alleged to have broken a window of the one-room flat and sprinkled the petrol before throwing in a burning stick of matches.

Xolani and the woman caught fire and sustained serious burn wounds but managed to escape through the window and raised an alarm.

UEDF confiscates E1m worth of lotion cream

BY SIFISO NHLABATSI
Mbabane

MEMBERS of the Umbutfo Eswatini Defence Force (UEDF) have confiscated lotion cream worth E1 million being smuggled into the country.

Worth noting is that this happens at a time when the country is out to get rid of fake lotion cream which finds its way into the local markets and is later sold to members of the public.

Police have now and again invaded local chemists, shops and street vendors arresting anyone found to be selling skin lightening creams. According to a report from the UEDF for September, they confiscated 412 boxes of lotion worth E976 600, together with volumes of cigarettes worth E339 174. The total amount of the confiscated items according to Army Public Relations Officer Lieutenant Tengetile Khumalo was E1 315 774.

Khumalo said the items were handed over to the Eswatini Revenue Authority (SRA) for payment of custom duty, while others were handed over to different police stations countrywide. While also operating the borders of the country, UEDF confiscated dagga worth over E250 000 being smuggled out of the country using the various illegal crossings. Matsamo was one of the areas where most of the dagga was confiscated.

Problem

Cattle rustling continues to be a major problem in the country as 56 cows were recovered in Mozambique which were stolen from the country. These cattle were handed back to their owners. Vehicles which were confiscated by the army during their operation in September include a TLB, a Toyota Dyna truck and a Toyota Corolla vehicle.

Lieutenant Khumalo said as UEDF they applaud their troops for their continued commitment in serving the nation at large. She said their determination does not go unnoticed.

FIGURES OF THE ITEMS CONFISCATED BY THE POLICE

DAGGA	Weight	E	C
Place			
Matsamo	99kg	79 300	00
Nkonjaneni	19kg	13 300	00
Bhasheni	22.5kg	15 750	00
Joel	7kg	4 900	00
Lavumisa	18.945kg	13 321	00
Mshololo	34kg	23 800	00
Lomahasha	4kg	8 610	00
Ngwenya	9.5kg	7 650	00
Bhikini	80kg	56 000	00
Sitilo	5.74kg	4 048	00
Lushikishini	10.7kg	7 490	00
Magudu	21kg	14 700	00
Dwalile	3.24kg	2 268	00
Total	334.625	251 137	00

Motor Vehicles	Make	Place
1	Toyota Dyna Truck	Lomahasha
1	TLB	Shewula
1	Toyota Corolla	Tambankulu

TRADING ITEMS	Amount	E	C
Volumes of Cigarettes			
412 boxes of lotion cream	339 174	00	
Total Amount	976 600	00	
	1315 774	00	

CATTLE RUSTLING	Place	Handed to;
Number of cattle		
30	Phalata	To owner
26	Recovered in Mozambique	To owner

Teachers petition principal for toilets at Ekumeni Primary

STORIES BY WONDERBOY DLAMINI
Siteki

TEACHERS at Ekumeni Primary are supposedly being deprived of a basic human right after the principal banned them from the school premises to access toilets after hours.

Ekumeni Primary is located at the far east of Maphungwane, approximately 15 kilometres from Siteki town.

The school is reportedly faced with numerous challenges ranging from shortage of teachers' houses and water.

A few metres from the school is a teachers' quarters with three houses which are shared by nine teachers.

The school and the teachers' quarters are separated by a fence, and a gate is conveniently placed to allow teachers to access the two places at any given time.

According to teachers who spoke to this publication, they have over the past years been using pit latrines which are situated within the school premises.

This has been the case since the teachers' quarters had an interruption of water supply in the houses. For some reasons, the teachers have now been barred from using the gate which connects the school and the quarters.

This is what has seen teachers raising a concern with the principal whom they accused of violating their basic human right of accessing toilets.

Male, female teachers sharing houses

THE challenge of insufficient housing for teachers is said to be on another level at Ekumeni Primary School, with male and female teachers sharing houses.

This is a concern which has been raised by teachers who spoke to this publication.

Sometime last year, the Principal Phumzile Mamba acknowledged the shortage of housing for teachers as one of the challenges faced by the school. At the time, the challenge had not yet reached the present stage where male and female teachers share houses.

One of the teachers alleged that they were now compelled to use nearby bushes to answer the call of nature after school hours. According to the teacher, this is because all gates leading to the school would be locked at that time, including the one that leads to the teachers' quarters. Even during school hours, the teachers are compelled to walk a longer distance around the school to gain entry through the main gate.

"The locking of the gate by the principal is a serious concern, especially because it has led to us using the bush to answer the call of nature," said the teacher. The teachers alleged that they have engaged the principal in this matter but in vain. When reached for comment, the principal confirmed to have

Some of the teachers who spoke to this publication pointed out that the situation was causing conflict between them, especially when their partners visit them at the quarters.

Compelled

The situation is said to have compelled some teachers to convert kitchens into bedrooms. "The situation is very awkward, especially when we have to take a bath in the morning," said another teacher. The principal of the school acknowledged that they were currently faced with a serious shortage of teachers' houses.

locked the school's gate leading to the teachers' houses. Mamba said was mainly for security reasons. She stated that the gate leading to the teachers' houses was posing a danger to pupils, especially because it was left uncontrolled.

Preferred

Mamba stated that even though teachers preferred using toilets which were located inside the school premises, there were other toilets (pit latrines) within the teachers' quarters which the teachers could use. "I do not understand why teachers would use the bush when there are toilets within the quarters," she wondered. However, the teachers alleged that the pit latrines she was talking about were merely an accident waiting to happen as they were falling apart.



SNAIL'S PACE

QUEUE: Motorists travelling at a snail's pace following a roadblock mounted by the police at Satellite along the Mbabane/Matsapha Highway yesterday. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)

CRIME STOP GUARD MURDER CASE:

GUARD APPREHENDED, TO SUBMIT BLOOD SAMPLES

BY VUYILE DLAMINI
Mbabane Magistrate's Court

THE Crime Stop Security guard who allegedly killed his wife yesterday appeared in court, after he was eventually apprehended by police officers.

Thokozani Gwebu (37) of Malindza was reportedly on the run from the police after he allegedly stabbed his wife Siphwe Zulu with a sharp object, leading to her death and proceeded to alleged-

ly stab his sister-in-law, Winile Zulu on Friday.

In his appearance before the court, Gwebu was formally charged with two counts; murder and attempted murder.

Charge

According to his charge sheet, Gwebu was alleged to have, on October 5 at Somnjalose area in Ezulwini, intentionally stabbed his wife with an okapi knife once on the left side of her neck.

Gwebu was further charged with attempted murder after he was said to

have intentionally attempted to kill Winile Zulu, by stabbing her with an okapi knife twice on the left side of her back.

Winile has been admitted to the Mbabane Government Hospital, where she is recovering from the stab wounds.

The prosecution applied for Gwebu's blood samples to be extracted at Mbabane Government Hospital for investigation purposes. Gwebu was further remanded back into custody until October 18, pending committal to the High Court.

SISTER SURVIVOR DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL

BY BONCUMUSA SIMELANE
Mbabane

A sister to the woman who was brutally killed allegedly by her husband has been discharged from hospital.

Winile Zulu was hospitalised at the Mbabane Government Hospital after she was attacked by Crime Stop Security guard Thokozani Gwebu the same day he allegedly killed his lover, Siphwe Zulu.

Yesterday, Zulu said she still remembers vividly how her sister was fatally stabbed by her husband on that fateful Friday night.

She said she could not bear the sight of her sister's body which was soaked

in blood after she was stabbed.

"I still remember how my sister died; her body was soaked in blood as she took her last breath in my arms," she said.

Stabbing

She said the accused after stabbing the two; continued to chase the others who were in their company as they were from church. It is said when he found out that he could not get the others; he returned to stab the deceased for the second time.

She said by the time she and her late sister tried to run away from the scene; her sister no longer had the energy, as she was bleeding profusely from the wound. Zulu said when she tried to pick her up, she found that she was very

weak. "I saw him coming from behind; when I tried to take my sister away, he continued assaulting me with fists and kicks all over the body and tried to stab me again in the process," she added.

Proceeded

She added that she was helped by a man who was at the scene who wrestled the knife from the attacker.

It is said that the accused then proceeded to the deceased and said his goodbyes and told her how much he loved her.

He further demanded cellphones of both the deceased and the survivor; which he got. She said she still does not know how she survived the attack because it was clear that Gwebu was determined to kill them both.

Accountant arrested for over E900 000 fraud

BY VUYILE DLAMINI
Mbabane Magistrate's Court

A woman employed by Rob's Electrical has been accused of defrauding her employer over E900 000.

Zodwa Dlamini (36) of Ngwane Park area practiced her right to legal representation after she was charged with four counts of fraud. She was alleged to have stolen monies amounting to E932 339, in the rightful possession of Rob's Electrical.

It is said Dlamini committed the offences on four separate occasions between January 2018 and July 2019 at Sidvashini, where she was said to have, in her capacity as Rob's Electrical accountant, misrepresented to the Director of the company, Portia Magagula, that certain payments were to be made to company employees, Eswatini Revenue Authority, and the company's suppliers.

Offences

Dlamini was said to have committed these offences by transferring the monies from the company's account into various bank accounts, which she then withdrew for her personal use or gain.

In the first instance, Dlamini allegedly between July and August,

defrauded Rob's Electrical of monies amounting to E369 705. Dlamini was then said to have deposited the monies to a Standard Bank account held by one Zethu Malindzisa, who was not an employee of Rob's Electrical.

Transferred

She was then said to have, between January 2018 and July 2019, committed fraud when she deposited monies belonging to Rob's Electrical amounting to E303 948, to a Standard Bank account held by one Smilo Nkambule.

Dlamini allegedly again transferred E128 736-83 into her personal First National Bank (FNB) account, thus committing the offence of fraud.

Unbeknownst to the director of Rob's Electrical, another transfer of E129 950 was made by Dlamini, this time into a Nedbank account held by one Mphilisi Mdluli.

The four transfers allegedly made by Dlamini were said to have induced Rob's Electrical to the total actual loss and prejudice of E932 339.

Dlamini is expected to appear before the High Court of Eswatini to file a bail application, after which her matter will be handled by the same court.

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ROYAL SWAZI SPA MADE A SIZEABLE DONATION TO THE ESITJENI OVC GOGO CENTRE KITCHEN



Early in September Royal Swazi Spa made a sizeable donation to the Esitjeni OVC Gogo Centre kitchen on behalf of the sponsor Investec.

The donation consisted of the following:

- Two bags of 50 kg Mealie Meal
- Two bags of 50kg Rice
- Two Bags of 50 kg Sugar Beans
- two Bags 50 kg Brown sugar
- 20 kg of peanut Butter
- 3 x A5 Tins of Jam
- packets of chicken portions

- 20 kg of beef ration
- 2 x bags of potatoes
- 6 cabbages
- 2 bags of carrots
- 1 x 20 litres of Cooking oil

The company also went as far as making a donation request to **Swaziland Bakery** on behalf of the Soup kitchen so that the children can at least have bread & Jam with tea in the mornings.

We would like to thank Investec and Swaziland Bakery for this incredible donation which will go a long way to keep the 275 children well fed for the rest

of the year. The children are from preschool ages to teenagers in high school.

All of them start their day at the soup kitchen for breakfast and return for lunch daily. Many are double orphaned, or single orphaned children who rely on the centre for their food.

Inkhosikati Make Mtsetfwa the main caretaker over the past twenty years and the children themselves were so jubilant as the food stuffs were being delivered that they sang songs of praise to thank God for this donation.



WE ARE THE WINNERS: MTN Eswatini management posing with some of the winners who were presented with their prizes at Mahlalekhukhwini House yesterday. (Pics: Simon Shabangu)

MTN SHOWERS CUSTOMERS WITH CASH PRIZES, SMARTPHONES

BY QONDILE NNTWANE
Mbabane

MTN Eswatini has showered over 25 customers with E600 Mobile Money (MoMo) cash prizes and smartphones as part of the company's drive to further deepen the use of Mobile Money.

The presentation held at the company's headquarters at Ezulwini yesterday also formed part of the company's Customer Service Week commemora-

tion.

The company presented E600 MoMo cash prizes to 27 customers and also gave away three smartphones yesterday.

Presenting the prizes was MTN Chief Consumer Officer Sam Shongwe who said ever since the launch of the Mobile Money month in August, the company has been conducting daily draws for customers using MoMoPay and giving away E600 MoMo daily cash prizes.

Another draw was conducted once a

month for customers who were using any of the EswatiniBank and Swaziland Building Society (SBS) ATMs for MoMo cash out.

The MTN MoMo ATM cash-out service, is a one-time PIN based transaction that allows any registered MTN MoMo customer to initiate and withdraw cash at any of the two financial institution ATMs, even if they do not bank with them.

Shongwe encouraged customers to continue using the services as the MoMo



FOR YOU: Nozipho Mamba receives her E600 prize money from MTN Chief Consumer Officer Sam Shongwe during the presentation.

Pay promotion would end on October 19 while the ATM cash withdrawal promotion will end on November 19.

"We encourage our customers to continue using these services and stand a chance to win amazing prizes. We would also like to congratulate the winners today."

"As we celebrate Customer Service Week, we thank you for supporting us. We will always make sure that we give you epic customer experience and that is what we are trying to address," he said.

Meanwhile MTN Marketing Manager New Business Lungile Mzizi, advised customers that they

can still be able to use Mobile Money even if they don't have the MoMoPay sticker or card by using *007# to make payments.

"To make MoMoPay payments using *007# easier, we have issued out stickers to merchants that have the service which has their MoMoPay numbers. All you have to do is dial *007#, then select (1) send money, select (2) MoMoPay and then enter retail code which is on the sticker and proceed with your payment. So even if you don't have the MoMoPay card or sticker, as long as you have your phone and a MoMo balance, you can be able to make payments," she said.



Ministry of Public Works and Transport

SIKHUPHE-HLANE-LOMAHASHA ROAD UPGRADE

EIA SCOPING MEETING

The Ministry of Public Works and Transport is proposing to upgrade the Hlane-Lomahasha Road, which starts at Sikhuphe traffic circle on D42, and passes through Hlane and Ngomane. From Ngomane, the road goes to Maphiveni, then through the communities of Shewula, Umsenge, Nduma, Mbasheni, Buloyini, and ends at Lomahasha. The total length of the road is 72km.

In accordance with the Eswatini Environment Authority (EEA) Environmental Audit, Assessment and Review Regulations 2000, members of the public are invited to a scoping meeting, where information about the project can be obtained. The meeting is also intended to give Interested and Affected Parties (IaP's) an opportunity to voice out their concerns regarding the project for eventual input to the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).

The first meeting will be held on Friday 11 October 2019 at Lomahasha Inkhundla at 09:00 am. The second meeting will be held on the same day Friday 11 October 2019 at Hlane Gogo Centre, at 2:00 pm.

For details, written submissions, etc., contact:

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Eswatini Water and Agricultural Development Enterprise LTD
Smallholder Market-Led Project/Climate Smart Agriculture for Resilient Livelihoods (SMLP/CSARL)

SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF GABION STONES FOR LAND REHABILITATION

TENDER No. ESWADE/0437

The Eswatini Water and Agricultural Development Enterprise (ESWADE) is a government company established by the Government of Eswatini in 1999 to empower communities to improve their quality of life through projects in commercial agriculture and other enterprises; providing innovative services in infrastructure development and management as well as expertise to public and private entities. ESWADE has been mandated by the Government of Eswatini to implement the Smallholder Market-Led Project/Climate Smart Agriculture for Resilient Livelihoods (SMLP/CSARL).

Tenders are invited for the Supply and Delivery of Gabion Stones for Land Rehabilitation for the SMLP/CSARL supported communities. A complete set of Tender document in English may be purchased by interested Tenderers at the address below and upon the payment of a non-refundable fee of Three Hundred and Fifty Emalangeni (E350.00) at ESWADE Head Office, 3rd Floor, MVA Building. The document can also be downloaded from ESWADE website, www.eswade.co.sz or the ESPPPA's website at www.sppra.co.sz.

The tender document should be hand delivered and deposited in the Tender Box at the ESWADE Head Office, 3rd Floor, Sincephetelo MVA Building, Mhlabi Street, Mbabane, no later than the **Tuesday, 29th October 2019 at 2:30p.m.** Tender documents should be signed and completed, and accompanied by the following documents:

1. Original and Valid Tax Compliance Certificate
2. A copy of Valid Trading License
3. A copy of Form J endorsed by Register of Companies
4. A copy of Form C endorsed by Register of Companies
5. A copy of Valid Labour Compliance Certificate
6. Police Clearance Certificates for Director's Listed in Form J
7. Certified Copies of National IDs of Company's Directors
8. Tender Bond of E30,000
9. Original/Copy of ESWADE Receipt of Tender Purchase
10. A fully signed document providing Power of Attorney
11. A fully signed Declaration of Eligibility

A tender must remain open for a period of 120 days from the closing date of the tender submission, during which period the tender may not be amended or withdrawn.

Tenders must be in a sealed envelope and clearly marked TENDER No. ESWADE/0437 and addressed to:

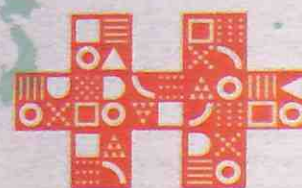
THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TENDER BOARD
Eswatini Water & Agricultural Development Enterprise
Tender No.: ESWADE/0437
Supply and Delivery of Gabion Stones for Land Rehabilitation

Telegraphic, telephonic, telex, facsimile, e-mail and late tenders will not be accepted. ESWADE will accept no responsibility for the late delivery of tenders by courier services or any other means. ESWADE does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

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2019.10.10 National Day Celebration



Republic of China
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Standing Front and Centre

On Oct. 10, 2019, the people of Taiwan mark 108th Double Tenth National Day. This joyous occasion comes amid renewed confidence in the country's economic strength, as well as its international recognition as a defender of freedom, democracy, human rights and rules-based order.

This healthy state of affairs is a credit to the government and the people. Together, they have pulled Taiwan up by the bootstraps from a recipient of foreign aid to a caring provider of support and true believer in the gospel of sustainable development.

Such a commitment shows Taiwan Can Help realise U.N. Sustainable Development Goals and Agenda 2030. It also demonstrates that the country is a force for good in the world and promoting peace, stability and prosperity far from its shores.

This positivity is at the heart of Taiwan's success in cultivating closer connections with key partners like the

Kingdom of Eswatini via an array of farsighted cooperative initiatives. One of the main pillars of this approach encompasses the many successful joint programmes spanning core areas like agriculture, education, health care and information communication technology.

As Taiwan celebrates Double Tenth National Day, its 23 million people invite the EmaSwati to share in the joy of this grand occasion. They also vow to further deepen the bonds of friendship, love and respect defining 51 years of bilateral relations. Taiwan is proud to be Eswatini's true friend and partner in prosperity.

ROC (Taiwan) Embassies, Consulates and Missions



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ROAD ACCIDENTS CLAIM MANY LIVES

BY NONDUDUZO KUNENE
Mbabane

BYSTANDERS watched in disbelief on Monday when two trucks collided at Nsalitje in the Shiselweni region.

The fatal accident occurred at 1455 hours along Siphambanweni and Nsalitje MR21 public road.

It involved a Suzuki truck which was driven by a 29-year-old man of Zimbabwe and another truck driven by a 55-year-old man of Matsapha.

The front part of the truck was badly damaged.

The driver of the truck sustained serious injuries on the head and legs and he was rushed to hospital where he later passed

on. Meanwhile, Lubulini police reported that at 1300 hours near Ndzevane along Big Bend to Lavumisa MR8 public road, another accident occurred which killed one person and injured another. A Toyota Hilux driven by a 33-year-old man of Mbangweni area lost control, veered off the road before knocking against a tree and overturning

several times.

The driver sustained serious injuries and was rushed to Good Shepherd Hospital where he was certified dead upon arrival. A 56-year-old passenger of Madulini sustained internal injuries and was rushed to Manzini Clinic where he is currently admitted.

Chief Police Information and Communications Officer Superintendent Phindile Vilakati confirmed the two accidents.

Few immigration officers at borders concerns travellers

STORIES BY NONDUDUZO KUNENE
Mbabane

LONG queues at the ministry of home affairs have escalated to the immigration department of the ministry.

People travelling in and out of the country have voiced out their concern regarding the many hours they queue at the country's busiest ports of entries which are Lavumisa and Ngwenya Border Posts. Those who use Ngwenya frequently said for some time now, there would be one immigration officer attending people entering the country and one assisting those traveling out of the country. Having few officers at the entry points was time consuming. In addition to that, he said there



were counters lying idle.

"Why don't they add more officers to occupy the empty counters," he said. The traveller even suggested that if there was staff shortage why is the ministry not adding more officers because the delay at the port of entry was unbearable.

Even those using Lavumisa Border Post said they were also exposed

to long queues.

"At Lavumisa there is never enough immigration officers. The service there is just poor," said another traveller. Meanwhile, Communications Officer at the Ministry of Home Affairs Mlandvo Dlamini refuted claims of few officers, especially at the Ngwenya Border Post.

In fact, for the period in question

which is the past weekend, Dlamini said there were six officers on duty.

He said the queues might have occurred while some of the officers were on lunch breaks or other emergencies, which are usually 30 minutes. "Ngwenya is the busiest border post of the country so there is no way we can assign or allow one officer to be on duty," he said.

As regards Lavumisa, Dlamini said he understood the frustration as that border had only four immigration officers of which they were divided into two groups which are two on the entry side and two on exit.

He said there is a possibility of having one immigration officer at each entry while the other would be absent, ill, on lunch break amongst other things.

Ministry has immigration officers vacancies

IN as much as most government operations are affected by Circular No. 3 of 2018, the ministry of home affairs is striving to provide efficient services.

The communications officer of the ministry of home affairs said

the ministry understands the financial constraints facing government.

Required

Dlamini said in as much as the ministry could not hire officers or fill in posts as required, but

they could not dwell on Circular No. 3 and make excuses.

Dlamini said most vacancies at the ministry are created by the passing away of some employees.

He could not state the exact num-

bers as they had not been compiled at the time of compiling the report.

He added that the ministry ensured that it was not affected by staff shortages.

Dlamini added that they would look into what members of the public complain about.

'Holy war' far from over at Metropolitan Church

BY SANDILE NKAMBULE
High Court

THE 'holy war' seems far from over at the Metropolitan Evangelical Church as two warring factions are at each other's throats.

The matter is now at the High Court. High Court Judge Maxine Langwenya, after hearing the matter, has since reserved judgment in the case that was once before Principal Judge Qinisile Mabuza.

In the initial matter, Judge Mabuza issued an order in favour of Ben Tsabedze, Sifiso Dlamini, Musa Hlophe, Themba Ngcamphalala, Nelisive Nkabinde, Dumisa Dlamini, Simon Mashayisa, Sidney Nkambule, Anthony Matsenjwa, Ntombifuthi Sibandze, Sithembiso Nxumalo, Catherine Ziondo and Bhelinkosi Gamedze who were cited as respondents.

The applicant in that matter was Bhelinkosi Dlamini and five others who had sought an order interdicting

Tsabedze and the others from carrying out duties related to the church as a board of directors.

In the present application, the church has since filed an application where it is seeking an order interdicting Mhlonipheni Khumalo, Solomon Nhlengetfwa, Bhelinkosi Dlamini and Dumisa from interfering with the administration of the church.

Cited

The five have been cited as respondents in the matter which is before Justice Langwenya and representing the five is Manzini based lawyer Macilongo Ndlovu of MTM Ndlovu Attorneys while the church is represented by Muleki Ndlangamandla of MLK Ndlangamandla Attorneys in Mbabane.

Tsabedze submitted that the respondents and their supporters managed to disrupt the proceedings of the last conference on July 22.

According to Tsabedze, the respondents and their supporters issued threats that they would ensure that the conference was not convened so

that they could take over the administration of the church.

"Their agenda is to take over from the lawfully elected church Board which they have all along failed to recognise.

This is apparent from the conduct of the supporters of the respondents, who have been withdrawing large amounts from the account of the church and refusing to handover important documents and finances of the church to the interim Board," alleged Tsabedze.

Violent

He alleged that the respondents and their supporters were violent and made threats of physically assaulting those who did not agree with their suggestion during the conference.

He averred that the intimidation and harassment as well as threats of physical assault directed to other participants and delegates is harmful and renders efforts to conduct the church conference a nullity and risky.

He informed the court that the threats of physical assault could not be taken

lightly and the heckling of other delegates compromised the dignity of the applicant as a church and Christian organisation.

Tsabedze contended that the respondents and their followers' conduct had established a reasonable apprehension for future intimidation and the possibility of harm to other delegates and property if an interdict was not granted.

He told the court that the persistence by the respondents to claim authority over the church and the confusion they were allegedly determined to create was quite mischievous and grossly unreasonable.

Tsabedze further contended that the conduct of the respondents was not in line with the constitution of the church.

Tsabedze argued that there was no alternative remedy available to the applicant other than the interdict against the individuals who allegedly perpetrated violence and threats of physical assault during the conference.

Suspended sentence after assaulting, dragging man on tar

BY VUYILE DLAMINI
Mbabane Magistrate's Court

TWO men caught Principal Magistrate Fikile Nhlabatsi on her good day after their two-year sentences were suspended, after assaulting and dragging another on a tarred road.

Madoda Dlamini (27) and Geina Vilakati (24) claimed they feared for their lives due to the constant harassment by Junior Charnley, thus resorting to assaulting him in self-defence.

"Charnley was constantly harassing me to the point that he will come to my home with his friends and attack me.

The one attack left me bruised that I had to be admitted to the hospital. Charnley also threatened to burn my family home with my family inside it and it has to stop.

I have reported the matter to law enforcement authorities several times and they would just tell me to shake it off. I had no choice but to act in self-defence, otherwise I would not be here today," Dlamini explained.

Dlamini further informed the court that he was afraid for his safety due to Charnley's harassment and violence.

"I plead with the court to ensure my safety when I get out of prison, as Charnley is extremely violent and I am sure that he will attack me again. Efforts to get assistance from police officers have proven futile as he is still on the loose. I fear for my life," Dlamini added.

On the other hand, Vilakati pleaded with the court to be lenient in his sentence as he was not from the area and he was only there to assist Dlamini.

"Your Worship, I also have a three weeks old baby with the mother of my children and I plead with the court to consider this factor when meting out sentence," Vilakati stated.

Both Dlamini and Vilakati pleaded guilty to the offence of assault with intent to cause grievous bodily harm, where they were found to have, on September 4 at Sidvashini area, assaulted Charnley with open hands, fists, kicks all over the body. They were then found to have dragged him on tarred road, and further stripped him of his clothing. When police officers arrived on the scene, Charnley was found naked and bruised, with abrasions on his face. The duo was subsequently sentenced to serve two years in prison each, with the option to pay a fine of E2 000. Their sentence was suspended for a period of three years, on condition that they were not found to have committed a similar offence during that time.

Your Worship, I also have a three weeks old baby with the mother of my children and I plead with the court to consider this factor when meting out sentence

Study Loan team starts screening process

BY SIFISO DLAMINI
Mbabane

THE Study Loan Recovery Consortium has commenced the screening process for loan beneficiary sureties and witnesses.

This process is aimed at ensuring that all witnesses and sureties for beneficiaries have repaid their loans or have subsequently made arrangements with the consortium for such.

Study Loan Recovery Consortium Project Manager Khanya Magagula said 252 government scholarship beneficiary sureties and witnesses had been screened by the consortium during the signing of first year students' scholarship exercise for students enrolled at the Royal Science and Technology Park (RSTP) and Emergency Medical Rescue (EMR) last week.

He said the screening was conducted to check if the sureties and witnesses accompanying the scholarship awardees had repaid their own scholarships if they were themselves beneficiaries.

Magagula said last year, the ministry of labour and social security added the screening of sureties and witnesses of scholarship awardees as a prerequisite for being awarded a scholarship. This in turn meant that before a student received the scholarship award, the sureties and witnesses had to be screened first.

"If it is discovered that they have not yet paid or made a repayment arrangement they are advised to do so with the consortium," he said.

He said a total of 252 people were screened in the two institutions. They comprised of 80 sureties and 44 witnesses at RSTP and 88 sureties and 44 witnesses at EMR.

"The beneficiaries who were found to have benefitted from the government study loan all made repayment arrangement," said Magagula.

He stated the exercise would be on going for the next few weeks as scholarship awardees in institutions such as UNESWA, Limkokwing University of Technology, Eswatini Christian University and Swaziland College of Technology, Ngwane Teachers College, VOCTIM were still to sign for their scholarships.

He added this exercise was not meant to frustrate Emaswati, but to have more beneficiaries make repayments so that many more Emaswati children could receive the study loans.

He further advised people who would act as sureties and witnesses not to wait for the signing exercise for them to make the repayment arrangement but to visit or contact the consortium immediately so as to avoid being delayed on the day.

"Last year, we received complaints from parents and guardians that they were delayed by the screening process, hence the advice that they should not wait until the eleventh hour to make the repayment arrangement," he said.

He added that in some institutions there were larger numbers of sureties and witnesses to be screened and this caused delays. He urged the sureties and beneficiaries to prepare beforehand to avoid any inconveniences. "Beneficiaries do not necessarily have to come to the consortium offices in order to make repayment arrangement as everything could be done through an email," said Magagula.

PASTOR JOINS MOB TO DEMOLISH HOMESTEAD

BY SIFISO NHLABATSI
Mbabane

A man of God at KaShali area joined a mob in demolishing a house in a raging land dispute.

The incident which happened at KaShali under Masundvini Royal Kraal has left residents shocked.

Information gathered is that the pastor together with some residents was against the demolished homestead being constructed in the area under dispute.

It was gathered that the family which had constructed the house at the land in question had received permission from the area's *umphakatsi*, hence they went ahead with constructing a house.

Tention

Just when the house was completed, it is alleged that tension started getting worse between the two factions.

The owner of the house was already occupying the house when it was demolished.

It is said on Monday, the pastor with other aggrieved residents ganged up and with the assistance of a mob from KaKhoza area, they went to the newly built house armed with all sorts of weapons including hammers and started dismantling the house.

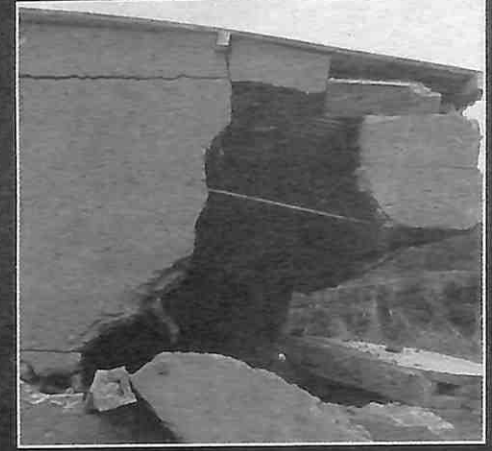
Even though there was no one injured in the process, it is alleged that the owner of the house was left traumatised as all his hard-work went down the drain.

Identified

The concerned family whose house was destroyed went to the police where they opened a criminal case.

Chairman of Masundvini Umphakatsi who identified himself as Phungwayo said the matter of the demolished homestead was discussed at the Royal Kraal, but there were parties who did not want to listen to the directive of the Royal

OUTRAGEOUS:
The house which was demolished by the mob at KaShali area.



Kraal and decided to engage in such an act.

Information gathered is that the matter had been discussed in many platforms with no solution.

Feud

It is said even the Regional Administrator was aware of the feud.

The matter has also been reported at Ludzidzini Royal Kraal. The pastor identified as Hezekiel Nkambule when called for comment, said he could not discuss much about the issue as it was now being discussed at Ludzidzini.

When asked about his involvement in the acts of vandalism, the pastor got agitated, and said he could not continue with the conversation. When informed that police had been involved in the matter, Nkambule said he had seen the police roaming around since morning and could not comment any further.

Chief Police Information and Communications Officer Phindile Vilakati confirmed the matter. She said a case of malicious injury to property was opened with the police. Vilakati said there were no arrests made yet.

MPs not happy with bad treatment at events

STORIES BY MBONO MDLULI
Mbabane

MEMBERS of Parliament (MPs) have expressed discontent with the way they are treated during events hosted by government.

First to voice his concern was Hosea MP Mduduzi Mabuza, who stated that MPs were badly treated by members of some security organisations stationed at government events.

Mabuza said this after House of Assembly Speaker Petros Mavimbela warned MPs who were committee chairpersons to take their work seriously. Mavimbela had stated that it was discouraging to note that some committee chairpersons did not take their work seriously.

"You should know your work as a chairperson. The moment you are informed about a function hosted by your committee, you should take the lead. It is disturbing to know that some chairpersons do not take the lead. This is just a friendly reminder, not a tongue lashing," Mavimbela said.

After Mavimbela said this, Mabuza wanted to know why government

MINISTERS TO REPORT ON 2ND QUARTER PERFORMANCE

CABINET ministers are expected to table their second quarter performance reports today before the House of Assembly.

The performance reports will give details on how the ministries worked in the second quarter of the 2019/20 financial year, which started from June ending August. House of Assembly Speaker Petros Mavimbela pleaded with

all the Cabinet ministers to ensure that the second quarter reports were tabled tomorrow.

Mavimbela said the intention of the tabling of the reports tomorrow was to enable the debates of such reports to start from next week. Mavimbela urged all committee chairpersons to ensure that the debate of the quarterly reports went smoothly.

treated them like nobodies during important national events yet they would be needed from time to time to assist the very same government that ill-treated them during certain events.

Mabuza is a chairperson of all the chairpersons in the House of Assembly. He is usually referred to as the chair of chairs.

Mabuza said such treatments made them feel as if government did not need their assistance or input as MPs. That could be the reason why they did not want to take work

involving the government seriously. Mabuza said they were usually treated as strangers during such events and would not be recognised as people who worked with government on regular basis.

Mavimbela understood Mabuza's submission and stated that such complaints had been lodged at his office. He was aware that MPs complained that they were treated as strangers during important events. He pleaded with acting Prime Minister Themba Masuku to make sure that such a thing did not happen to the

legislators.

"As acting prime minister, please address the matter at Cabinet level. Please tell the people who invite legislators to some events to ensure that MPs are well looked after during such events," Mavimbela said.

Pleaded

He further said they should be treated with dignity as MPs and pleaded with Masuku to talk to the ministers about this.

Ndzinengi MP Lutfo Dlamini was of the view that chairpersons should be informed first about such functions, before any announcement concerning that committee could be made.

"The chairperson should not get the information for the first time when announced here in the House. I have an email address and WhatsApp, which can also be used to send me messages," Dlamini said.

He said at Eswatini Revenue Authority (SRA), they were shocked to learn that the workshop of the SRA was for the MPs.

They thought the event was for some individuals yet the event was for the MPs themselves. He said such should not happen.



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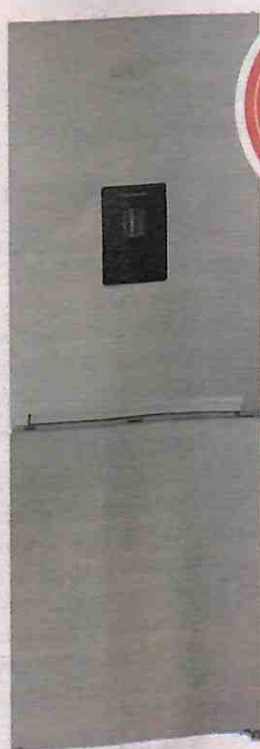
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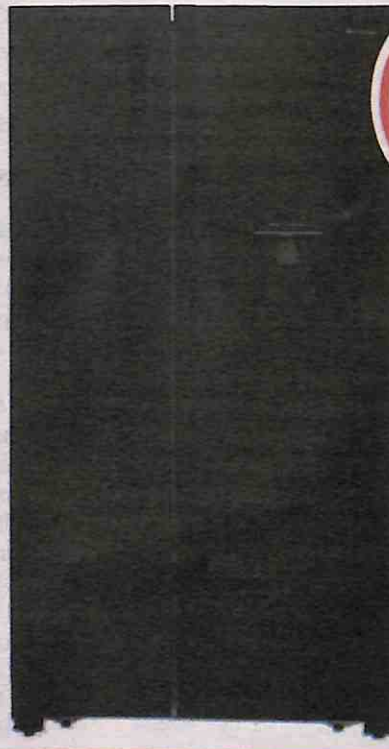
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I SUPPORT CoLA STRIKE - PRINCIPAL

STORIES BY STARKY MKHONTA
Nhlangano

"I was in full support of the strike and will fully support it even in future if my employer fails to pay us the cost of living adjustment (CoLA)."

These are the words of a principal from one of the schools in the Shiselweni region.

Mantambe Primary School Principal Michael Sigodvo Nxumalo said he fully supported the recent strike involving civil servants under the public sector associations (PSAs) banner.

He said he was also feeling the pinch of not getting CoLA for such a long time. He said he rallied behind the PSAs strike despite being a principal. He said being an administrator did not mean that he was happy with the state of affairs in government as regards the civil servants' CoLA.

"Even us principals are feeling the pinch, and we should not pretend as if all is well. You are a principal but firstly, a teacher.

It does not mean that when you are elevated to the position of principal you are immune from the challenges



REVEALED: Mantambe Primary School Principal Michael Sigodvo Nxumalo.

confronting the rest of the teachers.

If you live in a glasshouse, don't throw stones, so says an old adage. As principals, let's not victimise teachers who wish to exercise their right," said Nxumalo.

As he too had not received the CoLA for about three years, he was also fed up just like any other civil servant. He said all principals once served as teachers; so they feel the pain of not being paid their dues.

The PSAs deserve our full support

as they take their mandate from membership who are civil servants, principals included," said Nxumalo.

Nxumalo said if things could be done his way, he would suggest that civil servants continue with the strike until all their demands are met.

"Three years without an increment is just too much. That's why civil servants decided to take this route (strike). We are hungry hence we resolved taking this route. They say a hungry man is an angry man," said Nxumalo.

Principal allows teachers to exercise their rights

MANTAMBE Primary Principal Michael Sigodvo Nxumalo explained that at his school, he did not prevent teachers who wanted to partake in the recent PSAs protest action.

Nxumalo did not want to come out clearly when asked if there were teachers from his school who joined the recent strike. This newspaper

wanted to know if there were teachers who were marked absent during the strike as there were forms signed to ascertain absenteeism.

"That is an issue between me and my teachers.

I can't go public to say teacher so and so was absent. All teachers were free to exercise their right. I hope you get my drift," said Nxumalo.

Nxumalo said his school had a total of 13 teachers.

"These are men and women who are adults and were entitled to do anything they felt was good for them. No one influenced anyone to participate or not to participate (in the strike).

As principal, I also could not dictate to them," said Nxumalo.

Yearly business summits coming

BY MBONO MDLULI
Lobamba

YEARLY business summits are expected to be staged by the ministry of commerce, industry and trade.

This was confirmed by Minister of Commerce, Industry and Trade Mancoba Khumalo.

He said this on Monday in the House of Assembly when he was asked what his ministry was doing to ensure that the state of the country's economy was improved.

The question was asked by

Nhlambeni MP Manzi Zwane.

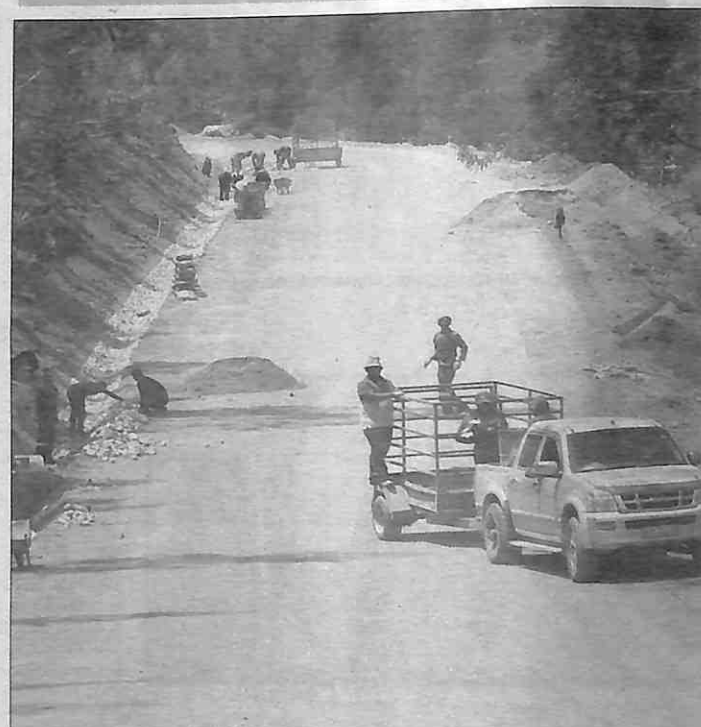
He wanted to know if Khumalo considered calling a business summit in the current term of office to get entrepreneurs' views for future development and revamping the economy.

Wanted

In response, the minister said the ministry wanted to hold a business summit before the end of the current financial year.

He further said it was the intention of the commerce ministry to ensure that a business summit was held each year during the term of office of the 11 Parliament.

LOOKING FORWARD TO 2022



FOR THE PEOPLE: Workmen hard at work during the ongoing project by government of upgrading roads through the Probable model at LaMgabhi Etiyeni and its surrounding areas. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)

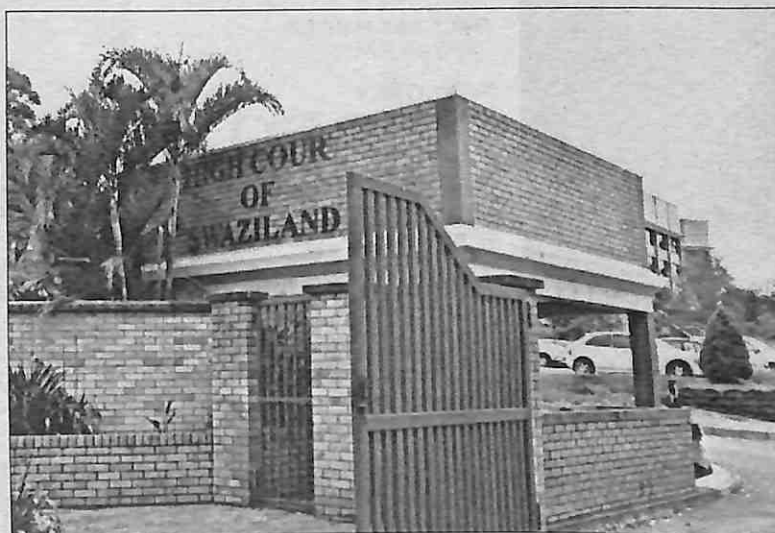
Reilly awarded E92 000 claim for counsel fees

BY SANDILE NKAMBULE
High Court

FOLLOWING a High Court case involving Big Game Park's Terrence Everzard Reilly and three others against the ministry of agriculture involving game, the court has awarded Reilly E92 000 in respect of a claim for his legal representative.

Handing down judgment in a review application filed by Terrence, Elizabeth as well as James Weighton Reilly and Pretros Mgcibelo Ngomane cited as the first to fourth applicants, Judge Cyril Maphanga ordered that the application to set aside the taxing master's ruling declining the traveling costs for the applicant's counsel succeeds and accordingly, the taxing master's ruling is hereby set aside and substituted with an order that the item claimed as travelling costs be and is hereby allowed.

Judge Maphanga also ordered that the prayer for setting aside the taxing



master's ruling on the Law Society subscription is dismissed.

"The taxing master's *allocatur* (allowing) of costs of counsel is hereby set aside in respect of the item identified in paragraph 59 and substituted with an order that the so identified items are hereby allowed as disbursed and

accordingly, the claim for recovery of counsel's fee is determined in the sum of E92 665.50," Justice Maphanga ordered.

This application arose out of costs awarded in favour of the applicants in the motion proceedings which were initially before Judge John Magagula

on December 13, 2018 hence the present application for review.

The background as regards the underlying litigation between the parties relates to a series of proceedings concerning a dispute between the applicants and the respondents over a challenge to the agriculture ministry's decision regulating and imposing certain conditions for the importation of certain wildlife (game) into the Kingdom of Eswatini.

Expressed

Cites as respondents in the present application is the Director of Veterinary Services Dr Xolani Dlamini as the first, the Principal Secretary in the Ministry Bongani Masuku as the second, the Minister Jabulani Mabuza as the third and the Attorney General Sifiso Khumalo as the fourth respondent, respectively. In its judgment, the court a quo as per Judge Magagula granted the said costs in favour of the applicants as a punitive scale expressed as between attorney and client, including certified costs of counsel and that the costs order was granted against the respondents jointly and severally; the one paying the other to be absolved.

Subsequently, the applicants drew and presented an itemised bill of costs for taxation before the taxing master in a bid to recover the costs awarded and the bill incorporated costs of counsel and in due course it was tabled and set down for taxation on February 28.

Assortment

However, in the outcome the taxing master taxed off an assortment of items in the bill of costs, the bulk of which are no moment herein in so far as the contested list of items in contention presently are limited to a few specified costs items that the respondents objected to and the taxing master disallowed and taxed off.

Aggrieved by the master's *allocatur*, the applicants then approached the court with the present application for a review of the taxing master's ruling and the proceedings had been brought in terms of Rule 48 of the rules of the High Court of Eswatini.

Representing the applicants in the matter was senior counsel Kenneth Motsa of Robison Bertram Attorneys while senior counsel Mndeni Vilakati from the AG's office appeared for the respondents.

'DR TOLD ME I HAD 10 MINUTES TO LIVE'

BY BONGIWE DLAMINI
Manzini

A case of mistaken identity has resulted to a man being admitted in hospital for four days with his job at stake.

Mncedisi Bonginkhosi Dlamini (28) of Mbekeleweni appeared before Manzini Senior Magistrate Sindisiwe Zwane on a charge of assault with intent to cause grievous bodily harm after he allegedly hacked Celani Ndzabandzaba on the head and once on the left arm with a bushknife.

The incident happened at Tri-Cash, Sidvokodvo, on March 25.

According to court records, Dlamini attacked Celani because he mistook him for a soldier who supposedly 'stole' his girlfriend.

Narrating the events leading to his attack, Celani told the court that he was at Tum's WaterWorld where he was enjoying some drinks with others.

Just when he was about to leave, Celani said he met his brother-in-law who he had not seen in a long time. The brother-in-law was in the company of some soldiers unknown to him, but when he invited Celani for more drinks, the soldiers left to sit at a distance from them.

After some time, Celani said the accused threatened to assault the soldiers with a bushknife.

They are said to have reacted to the threat and a verbal altercation ensued between the soldiers and the accused person.

When the short verbal showdown between the soldiers and the accused was over, the army men left the scene, leaving Celani and his brother-in-law to continue enjoying their drinks.

In addition, Celani said the bar was about to close when he decided to collect his change that he had forgotten at the counter. Then, the brother-in-law also left.

Hacked

"I was bent downwards trying to open my car when I was hacked at the back of my head and saw blood oozing over my face," said Celani.

As the accused hacked Celani, it is said his friends were shouting that he should hack him again.

While at it, the accused person uttered the words to the effect that Celani was the soldier who allegedly dated his girlfriend.

Seeing that he was attacked, Celani said he decided to leave the car and bolted to his house.

Meanwhile, the accused person is said to have ran behind him until he reached the gate to his house where he asked someone to call the police who showed up within 10 minutes.

"I collapsed and woke up at Manzini Clinic where the doctor said had I not received medical attention instantly, I had only 10 minutes to live," Celani

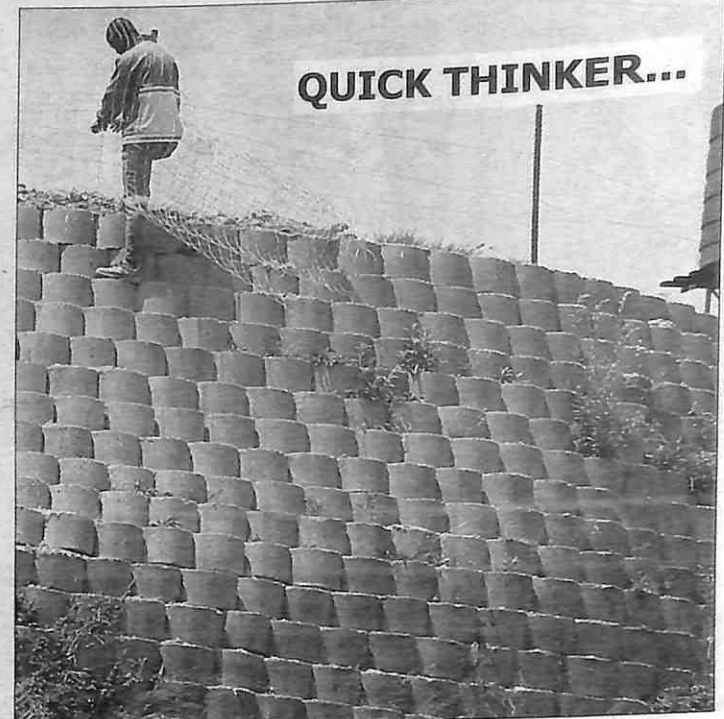
said with tears rolling down his cheeks. He was so emotional that he ended up crying out loudly. To this, the magistrate asked that Celani be given some time out to calm down.

The wound he sustained during the hacking incident is said to have been 10 centimetres deep.

Celani said this was about to cost him his job as a mechanic because his employer had deemed him to be a liability in that he constantly collapses while at work as a result of the wound. For these attacks, he had spent a lot of money because he regularly goes to Manzini Clinic for medical attention. Even while in the witness box, Celani was shaky.

After Celani gave his evidence, Dlamini was given an opportunity to ask him questions but he said he had none. The matter is pending before court.

"I collapsed and woke up at Manzini Clinic where the doctor said had I not received medical attention instantly, I had only 10 minutes to live"



QUICK THINKER...

ON TOP: A man carefully installs a fence on top of a retainer at a homestead in Mdzimba yesterday. Using the retainer is one way of preventing soil erosion. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)

5 fined E4 000 for assault

BY MELUSI TSABEDZE
Eswatini National Court

THE saying which goes, 'an accomplice is as bad as the thief' proved true when four men were arrested after they tried to help a woman who was under attack.

Mpendulo Maseko (28), Mancoba Khumalo (22), Ponds Masuku (27), Sifiso Masuku (27), and Linda Dube (31) unlawfully and purposefully assaulted Sicelo Hlophe (32) with numerous kicks and open hands all over the body.

Hlophe was also attacked with a stick.

The complainant reported the incident to the police. In court, the accused pleaded not guilty to the offence.

Hlophe told the court that while he was enjoying drinks with his friends at a drinking spot at Msunduzi, he met Thabisile who asked him to buy her a beer.

"I met with my girlfriend's friend

at the drinking spot and she asked that I buy her beer. I took out E20 from my pocket and gave it to her," said Hlophe

Hlophe then told the court that Thabisile later returned in the company of his girlfriend Linda Dube. He added that his girlfriend accused him of wanting to be romantically involved with Thabisile.

"Dube pulled me by my clothes and harassed me.

When I tried to free myself, three of the accused persons emerged and they started assaulting me. Maseko crushed two beer bottles in front of me, and threatened to assault me with the broken glasses. I started bleeding and for three weeks, I could not eat as my jaw was painful," said Hlophe

He added that Sifiso Masuku sprang from his car and drew out a stick. He started assaulting the complainant with it.

The accused were each fined E800 each with an option to spend 10 months in a correctional facility.



BEYOND REPAIRS: The Shiselweni Forestry Company (SFC) vehicle which was involved in an accident with a Run-X where two lives were lost.



FATAL: The Run-X which had two occupants who both died on the spot in a head-on collision with the SFC vehicle.

Fatal crash involving civil servants in Nhlanguano

BY STARKSKY MKHONTA
Nhlanguano

THE occupants of the sedan which was involved in a horrific road accident on Sunday with a Toyota Hilux, have been identified as employees from the ministry of public works, building department in Nhlanguano.

The two were in a white Run-X and driving near the Nhlanguano Casino Royale when their car was involved in a head-on collision with a bakkie belonging to Shiselweni Forestry Company (SFC).

The two died on the spot, while the

male driver, who was alone in the SFC vehicle, sustained serious injuries and is currently receiving treatment in a hospital.

Percy Tsabedze and Muzi Mdluli, were travelling in the sedan towards the Lavumisa direction from Nhlanguano while the SFC vehicle driven by Samkeliso Dlamini was from the opposite direction.

Damaged

Tsabedze was driving the sedan while Mdluli was on the passenger's seat.

Both vehicles were badly damaged. Firefighters had to use their devices to retrieve the bodies which were trapped in the sedan.

Employees of the ministry of works in Nhlanguano confirmed that the two deceased who were travelling in the Run-X were their colleagues.

"Tsabedze was employed as a painter while Mdluli was attached to the carpentry area.

We only learned yesterday (Monday) that they lost their lives during the accident," said one of the employees who requested not to be identified.

It has been gathered that Tsabedze is from Siphofaneni in the Lubombo region while Mdluli is from Moti area near Mkhondvo.

The SFC employee is from around Bhunya.

Man fined E600 for stealing body spray

BY MELUSI TSABEDZE
Eswatini National Court

A 24-year-old man from Mahwalala has been fined E600 for stealing body spray at Shoprite.

Veli Msibi unlawfully and purposefully stole a body spray worth E44.99 at the Mbabane Shoprite outlet.

A security guard at the store Jabulani Simelane, reported the matter to the police.

The incident happened on Tuesday. The accused pleaded guilty to the offence.

"Msibi entered the shop, took a fabric softener and went to the pay

point to pay for it.

Before proceeding to the pay point, he also took a body spray and put it in his pocket but at the pay point he did not pay for the spray," said Simelane.

In mitigation, Msibi told the court that it was the first time for him to be involved in crime.

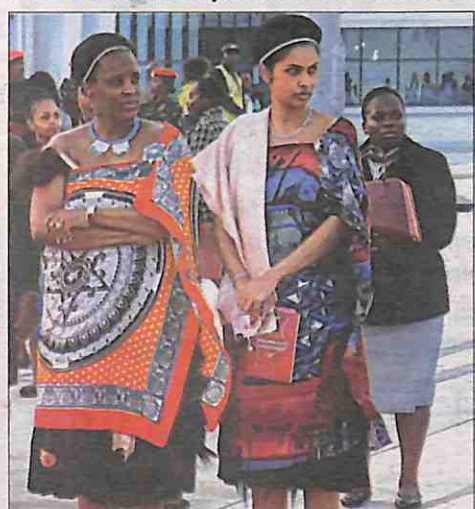
He said his act was not intentional. "I have children that are dependant on me. I survive through piece jobs.

I am still looking for a job. I am sorry and I ask the court to give me a lesser sentence," said Msibi

Msibi was then sentenced to seven months in custody with a fine option of E600.



BAYETHE: His Majesty King Mswati III waves to well-wishers before jetting off on Tuesday morning at KML International Airport to attend the Global Fund's Sixth Replenishment Conference. (Pics: Lucky Simelane)



FAREWELL YOUR MAJESTY: Emakhosikati LaMotsa and LaMagongo among the well-wishers. (R) **FIVE THINGS:** Minister of Education Lady Howard Mabuza and Senate President Lindiwe Dlamini were also there to wish the King travelling mercies.

His Majesty off to France



SALUTE: Commissioner General Phindile Dlamini, National Commissioner of Police William Dlamini and Army Commander Jeffery Tshabalala salute His Majesty.



PRESENT: Well-wishers spotted at the airport.





MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

SUPPLY, DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION OF VEGETABLES PACKING AND PROCESSING EQUIPMENT FOR THE HIGH VALUE CROP AND HORTICULTURE PROJECT (HVCHP)

EuropeAid/140445/ID/SUP/SZ

The Ministry of Economic Planning and Development, Aid Coordination and Management Section intends to award a contract for the Supply, Delivery, Unloading and Installation of Vegetable Packing and Processing Equipment to the High Value Crop and Horticulture Project with financial assistance from the 11th European Development Fund. The equipment will be delivered, installed and used in the three packhouse hub zones (Lavumisa, Nhlanguano and Msahweni). The contract notice is available on the EuropeAid website at:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome>


The CD containing the Tender Dossier is also available from:

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The deadline for submission of tenders is 11th November 2019 at 1200hrs, Swazi Local Time.

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INVITATION TO BID

TENDER No.51 of 2019/20: SUPPLY OF PREPAID SYSTEM SERVER HARDWARE

INVITATION
 Tenders are hereby invited from suitable qualified service providers to supply Prepaid System server hardware for the Eswatini Electricity Company.

DETAILED TENDER DOCUMENTS
 A detailed tender document is available at a non-refundable fee of SZL500.00 and can be collected from the Commercial Services Department, EEC Head Office, Mbabane. If the RFP document has been downloaded from SPPRA - Eswatini website <http://www.sppra.co.sz/>. tenderers must submit proof of payment of the requisite non-refundable fee.

SUBMISSION & CLOSING DATE
 A signed and sealed tender bid clearly marked on an official envelope
"CONFIDENTIAL :TENDER No.51 of 2019/20", containing separate **TECHNICAL** and **FINANCIAL** proposals, should be deposited in the tender box situated at the EEC Head Office, Eluvatsini Building, Mhlambanyatsi Road, Mbabane, Eswatini. The closing time for receipt of the proposals is **12:00hrs** on the **31st October, 2019**. Late, faxed, emailed, incomplete or telegraphic tenders will not be considered.

It is the responsibility of all tenderers to ensure registration of their tenders on submission.

ENQUIRIES
 All enquiries must be directed to the Commercial Services Manager at the following address: busisiwe.masangane@eec.co.sz.

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Eswatini against cancer



HIV and Cancer Care

CANCER is a class of diseases in which a group of cells display uncontrollable growth, with intrusion on and destruction of adjacent tissues and sometimes spread to other locations in the body via lymph or blood.

Most cancers form a tumour (growth) but some, like leukaemia, do not. Cancer is now recognised globally as one of the leading non-communicable diseases (NCDs). Second to cardiovascular diseases, cancers contribute to over 7.9 million deaths (13 per cent of total global mortality) each year and this figure is projected to rise to nearly 10 million, unless the problem is addressed urgently.

As means of cervical cancer screening, Pap smear was introduced in the national cervical cancer prevention programme in 1983. Further, in 2009, the government of the Kingdom of Eswatini incorporated the "See and Treat" approach to quicken the early detection of cervical lesions and facilitate the extension of cervical cancer prevention services across four regions.

Despite such efforts, in 2017, the Director of Health Services in the Ministry of Health, Dr Vusi Magagula announced that ever-increasing new cancer cases in Eswatini had seen cancer rise to become the third deadly disease after HIV and Tuberculosis (TB). Subsequently the country began to intensify the fight against cancer. Presently, the National Cancer Prevention and Control Unit, which coordinates the implementation of interventions aimed at reducing cancer morbidity and mortality, had developed the National Cancer Prevention and Control Strategy 2019, to facilitate the implementation of prioritised interventions.

Since most of cancer determinants are outside the scope of the health sector, the strategy proposes to extend cancer prevention and control interventions to all government sectors and other relevant sectors with active participation of civil society, local associations and the community. It is unsurprising therefore, that the Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini and development partners on October 4, launched the International Breast and Cervical Cancer Awareness Month.

The launch was fittingly held at Fashion International in Matsapha (a company with 2068 workers, 1900 of which are women), was officiated by the Minister of Health Lizzy Nkosi and US Ambassador to Eswatini Lisa Peterson.

The campaign aims to increase attention and support for the awareness, early detection and treatment, as well as palliative care of the disease. There are over 100 types of cancers but for Eswatini the campaign will focus on the top five cancers threatening the country - breast, cervical

(now the leading cancer in the Kingdom), prostate, Kaposi Sarcoma and Lymphoma cancers. In 2018, the number of new cases in both sexes and all ages were: cervical cancer 380 (35.4 per cent); Kaposi sarcoma 104 (9.7 per cent); prostate cancer 82 (7.6 per cent); breast cancer 75 (7 per cent); Non-Hodgkin lymphoma 48 (4.5 per cent); and other cases 385 (35.8 per cent).

The Eswatini Cancer Registry reveals that cervical cancer is not just the leading cause of death among women but is also had the highest new cases (53.5 per cent) followed by breast cancer (10.6 per cent); while prostate and Kaposi Sarcoma were the leading cause of death among men. For people living with HIV, the risk for developing cancers such as Kaposi Sarcoma, non-Hodgkin lymphoma, and cervical cancer (in women) and penile cancer (in men) are very high.

CERVICAL CANCER AND HIV

The HIV response has made great gains in the antiretroviral treatment programme, with thousands of people living with HIV (PLHIV) now living longer with an improved quality of life.

The rising cancer incidence therefore challenges and threatens to reverse the gains that have been so painstakingly achieved.

Cervical cancer develops in the cervix, the neck of the uterus.

The main cause of cervical cancer (almost 80 per cent) is the human papilloma virus (HPV) which is transmitted through sexual intercourse and intimate skin-to-skin contact. Infection rarely shows symptoms and the risk factors include: starting sexual activity at a young age (early sexual debut); high number of sexual partners of women and of their partners (leading to multiple diseases); having a sexually transmitted disease, multiple pregnancies; smoking; being overweight (obesity); and a weak immune system.

The relationship between HIV and some cancers is attributed to HIV which attacks the immune system, reducing the body's natural protections from infections and diseases. A weaker immune system is less able to fight off diseases, like cancer. People living with HIV, especially those not on treatment, often have a weakened immune system thus have a greater chance of getting cancer. The concern in the HIV response is that infection by one of the viruses (HIV or HPV) may accelerate transmission of the other.

Cervical cancer is an also known as an AIDS defining illness - directly associated with advanced HIV infection, predominantly affecting women

of reproductive ages 15-49. Studies have shown that the prevalence of HPV infection rises soon after the onset of sexual activity and peaks in adolescence and early adulthood, after which it declines during the later decades of life. The high prevalence of HPV infection among young women has been found to be due to absence of adaptive immune response and the relatively larger area of cervical epithelium (thin tissue forming the outer layer of a body's surface and lining the alimentary canal and other hollow structures) undergoing a harmless non-cancerous change (known as squamous metaplasia).

RISK FACTORS FOR CERVICAL LESIONS
AMONG HIV+ WOMEN

Compared with HIV negative women, HIV positive women are more likely (4-5 times) to be infected with HPV and to have persistent HPV leading to pre-cancer, larger and more difficult to treat precancerous lesions, higher recurrence rates of pre-cancer following treatment, and precancerous lesions that progress more rapidly to invasive cancer. Several studies clearly show an increased risk of rapid progression to cancer among HIV positive women.

The "Screening, prevalence, and risk factors for cervical lesions among HIV positive and HIV negative women in Eswatini" study by Joll et al. BMC Public Health (2017), concluded that the presence of cervical lesions was greater among HIV positive (22.9 per cent) than HIV negative women (5.7 per cent).

In the age-adjusted model women who had 2 or more lifetime sexual partners were 3 times more likely to have cervical lesions compared to women with one lifetime partner and the odds of cervical lesions among women with a history of STIs were 2.16 greater than among women with no previous STI. In the adjusted model, women who had a previous cervical exam were 2.5 times more likely to have cervical lesions than women who had not.

Fortunately, the US Government, through the PEPFAR/Eswatini programme, in 2018 began supporting the Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini on cervical cancer screening and treatment of precancerous lesions for women living with HIV. The programme accelerated and the number of HIV positive women aged 25-49 who have been screened for cervical cancer increased from 1 090 to 5 968 between April and August 2019. The number of health facilities providing screening and pre-cancerous lesion treatment ser-

vices has also increased from 78 to 130 in the period.

GOVERNMENT COMMITTED TO ENDING
CERVICAL CANCER

In May 2018, the US 2018, launched a global cervical cancer screening and treatment programme called "Go Further", which aims to reduce new cervical cancer cases by 95 per cent among HIV-positive women in Eswatini and other high burden African countries. The innovative public-private partnership includes PEPFAR, the George W. Bush Institute, UNAIDS and the pharmaceutical company, Merck.

Recently, while in New York, His Majesty King Mswati III and other African heads of state, attended a meeting held on the margins of the 2019 United Nations General Assembly, with former US President George W. Bush, Mrs. Laura Bush and US Global AIDS Coordinator Ambassador Deborah Birx, where the Go Further partnership was discussed. The Go Further partnership is critical to ensure that HIV and cervical cancer services are integrated and available to women and girls that need them most. His Majesty's presence in the meeting shows the highest possible commitment to the partnership.

In the quest to End AIDS as a public health threat, the Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini continues to demonstrate strong political commitment. In outlining priority programmes of the National Multisectoral HIV and AIDS Strategic Framework (NSF) 2018-2023, opportunistic infections and co-morbidities were included as programmes of focus. The aim is to reduce cancer morbidity and mortality through the implementation of evidence based cost-effective prevention and control interventions and providing palliative care to improve the quality of life for people living with cancer and their families.

Currently, the ministry of health is considering providing Human Papilloma vaccination to girls and women before they are exposed to the virus. This requires finance and given the current socio-economic situation, it will put a further strain on government spending. It is heartening to learn therefore, that His Majesty King Mswati III is currently in Lyon, France to attend the Global Fund Replenishment Conference - a gathering of international leaders to mobilise financial resources for 2020 - 2022.

GET INVOLVED

Cervical cancer can be prevented by vaccination against HPV and is curable if detected and treated early. Sexually active women should have regular Pap smear examination - even more important for women living with HIV on ART as without early diagnosis and treatment, 62 per cent would expect to die from cervical cancer.

Eswatini's future depends on all citizens. Take care of your health, screen for cancer today.

Most cancers form a tumour (growth) but some, like leukaemia, do not. Cancer is now recognised globally as one of the leading non-communicable diseases (NCDs)

ON THIS DAY

OCTOBER 10

1845 - The United States Naval Academy opened in Annapolis, MD.

1865 - The billiard ball was patented by John Wesley Hyatt.

1886 - The tuxedo dinner jacket made its US debut in New York City.

1887 - Thomas Edison organized the Edison Phonograph Company.

1911 - China's Manchu dynasty was overthrown by revolutionaries under Sun Yat-sen.

1913 - US President Woodrow Wilson triggered the explosion of the Gamboa Dike that ended the construction of the Panama Canal.

1928 - "Hold Everything" opened on Broadway.

1932 - "Betty and Bob" began on radio.

1932 - "Judy and Jane" began on radio.

1933 - Dreft, the first synthetic detergent, went on sale.

1937 - The Mutual Broadcasting System debuted "Thirty Minutes in Hollywood".

1938 - Nazi Germany completed its annexation of Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland.

1943 - Chiang Kai-shek took the oath of office as the president of China.

1957 - US President Dwight D. Eisenhower apologised to Komla Agbeli Gbedemah, the finance minister of Ghana, after the official had been refused service in a Dover, DE, restaurant.

1959 - Pan American World Airways announced the beginning of the first global airline service.

1963 - A dam burst in Italy killing 3 000 people.

1965 - The Red Baron made his first appearance in the "Peanuts" comic strip.

1973 - Fiji became independent after of nearly a century of British rule.

1977 - Joe Namath played the last game of his National Football League (NFL) career.

1978 - The US Bill authorising the Susan B. Anthony dollar was signed by US President Jimmy Carter.

1984 - The US Congress passed the 2nd Boland Amendment which outlawed solicitation of 3rd-party countries to support the Contras. The amendment barred the use of funds available to CIA, defense, or intelligence agencies for "supporting, directly or indirectly, military or paramilitary operations in Nicaragua by any nation, group, organisation or individual."

1987 - Tom McClean finished rowing across the Atlantic Ocean. It set the record at 54 days and 18 hours.

1991 - The United States cut all foreign aid to Haiti in reaction to a military coup that forced President Jean-Claude Aristide into exile.

1994 - Lt. Gen. Raoul Cedras resigned as Haiti's commander-in-chief of the army and pledged to leave the country.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Kyal Legend (Movie Actress) - October 10, 1997 (22 years old)



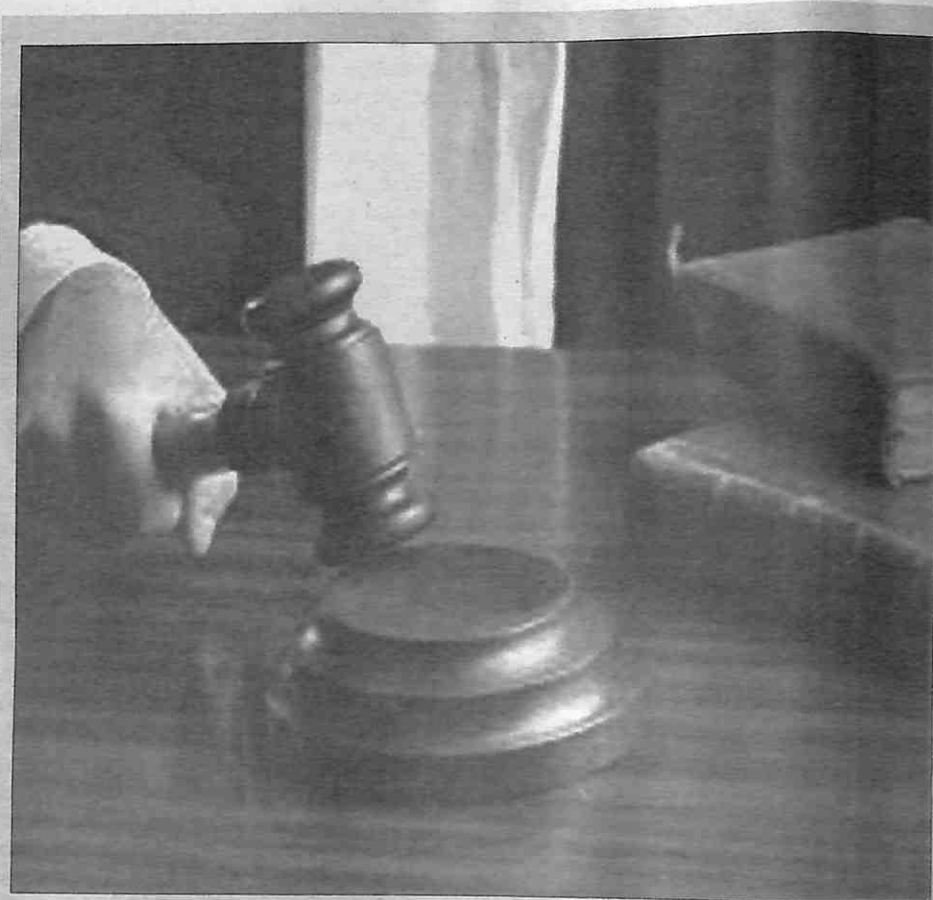
Jonathan Butler - October 10, 1961 (age 57 years)



WHAT THE LAW SAYS

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THE CONSUMER CREDIT ACT OF 2016

*Unlawful provisions in credit agreement*

27. (1) A provision in a credit agreement is unlawful if its general purpose or effect is to -

(a) deceive the consumer or subject the consumer to fraudulent

conduct;

(b) express an agreement by the consumer to-

(i) deposit with the credit provider, or with any other person at the direction of the credit provider, an identity document, credit or debit card, bank account or automatic teller machine access card, or any similar identifying document or device; or

(ii) provide a personal identification code or number to be used to access an account;

(c) purport to direct or authorise any person engaged in processing payments to give priority to payments for the credit provider over any other credit provider;

(d) purport to authorise or permit the credit provider to satisfy an obligation of the consumer by making a charge against an asset, account, or amount deposited by or for the benefit of the consumer and held by the credit provider or a third party, except by way of a standing debt arrangement, or to the extent permitted by section 96;

(2) In any matter before the court respecting a credit agreement that contains a provision contemplated in subsection (1), the court shall-

(a) sever that unlawful provision from the agreement, or alter it to the extent required to render it lawful, if it is reasonable to do so having regard to the agreement as a whole; or

(b) declare the entire agreement unlawful as from the date that the agreement, or amended agreement, took effect,

and make any further order that is just and reasonable in the circumstances to give effect to the principles of section 7 with respect to that unlawful provision, or entire agreement, as the case may be.

(3) The Minister may prescribe particular common law rights that may not be waived in a credit agreement on the grounds that the waiver of those rights would be inconsistent with the purposes of this Act as set out in section 3.

Options before entry into agreement

28. (1) The credit provider shall, before entry into an agreement, present to the consumer a statement of the following options and afford the consumer an opportunity to select any of those options-

(a) to decline the option of pre-approved annual credit limit increases as provided for in section 56 (4), if the agreement is a credit facility; and

(b) to be excluded from any-

(i) telemarketing campaign that may be conducted by or on behalf of the credit provider;

(ii) marketing or customer list that may be sold or distributed by the credit provider, other than as required by this Act; or

(iv) any mass distribution of email or sms messages.

(2) A credit provider-

(a) shall maintain a register in the prescribed manner and form of all options selected by consumers in terms of section 56 (6); and

(b) shall not act in a manner contrary to an option selected by a consumer in terms of section 56 (6).

(c)

Information and language

29. (1) A credit provider shall offer a consumer an opportunity to choose in which of the two official languages the consumer wishes to exchange information or receive a document, and a credit provider shall exchange that information or provide that document to the con-

sumer accordingly.

(2) The information or document that is required to be exchanged with or delivered to a consumer in terms of this Act shall be-

(a) in the prescribed form, if any, for that document; or

(b) in plain language, if no form has been prescribed for that document.

(3) For the purposes of this section, a document is in plain language where it is reasonable to conclude that an ordinary consumer for whom the document is intended, with average literacy skills and minimal credit experience, could be expected to understand the content, significance, and importance of the document without undue effort, having regard to-

(a) the context, comprehensiveness and consistency of the document;

(b) the organisation, form and style of the document;

(c) the vocabulary, usage and sentence structure of the text; and

(d) the use of any illustrations, examples, headings, or other aids to reading and understanding.

(4) The Authority may publish guidelines for methods of assessing whether a document satisfies the requirements of subsection (2)(b).

Refusal or grant of credit

30. (1) A credit provider may refuse to enter into a credit agreement with any prospective consumer on reasonable commercial grounds that are consistent with its customary risk management and underwriting practices.

(2) A credit provider shall, on request by the consumer, give reasons, in writing for-

(a) refusing to enter into a credit agreement with that consumer;

(b) offering that consumer a lower credit limit under a credit facility than applied for by the consumer, or reducing the credit limit under an existing credit facility;

(c) refusing a request from the consumer to increase a credit limit under an existing credit facility; or

(d) refusing to renew an expiring credit card or similar renewable credit facility with that consumer.

(3) In response to a request in terms of subsection (2), a credit provider who has based its decision on an adverse credit report received from a credit bureau shall, give the consumer in writing, the name, address and other contact particulars of that credit bureau.

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THERE are many ways through which a person could be oppressed, it is not only limited to physical deprivation but also includes legal inequality and economic exploitation. All these forms of oppression have consequences beyond the physical, they also affect the psychological development and mental state of a person.

This results in their psychological oppression as that means the person is weighed down by their own mind, creating a situation where the oppressed become their own oppressors.

The underlying factor is that inequality has a significant impact on mental health as proven by the substantial amount of evidence that has been garnered throughout the years.

Increase

Larger income differences increase the prevalence of most health and social problems, these problems tend to occur more frequently to people lower down in the social ladder, most of which are women and girls.

The inequality experienced by women and girls in the country has far reaching mental health effects, increasing their chances of suffering from depression due to the inferiority status attributed to the lower social levels of inequality.

Legal, economic, political and social inequality are not issues separate from each other, they are intrinsically linked as any effect on one has a ripple effect on the others. When women are denied equal rights and opportunities the psychological effects cannot be ignored as greater inequality



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PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF INEQUALITY

makes social position more important. Therefore, narcissism and self-enhancement are likely to rise where some people appear to be worth so much more than others leading us to judge each other more by status.

A common argument utilised against the recruitment or support for women taking up higher levels in decision making is that women judge each other and create a hierarchy amongst themselves.

This socialisation is the result of the decades of inequality women have been subject too, as narcissism is part of the struggle for social survival against self-doubt and the sense of inferiority. Inequality combined with the accompanying increase in status competition have created a culture where risk-taking is admired and domination is mistaken for leadership, leaving women who have unfairly carried the mantle of submission stuck in the fringes.

Inequality as a result of sexism, is

heavily reliant on stereotyping for self-sustainability which has permeated throughout society for millennia. The majority of society has deemed women incapable of high achievement, leading women themselves to believe this lie and consider this underachievement a normal characteristic of being a woman.

Therefore, in a scenario whereby a woman breaks away from the mould and does manage to elevate herself, she is deemed as less of a woman or unfeminine, which of course perpetuates the cycle of oppression both inside and outside.

The popular patriarchal stereotypical view that a woman needs a man to look after her, has the effect of discouraging women from pursuing autonomous development. This further internalises their feelings of inferiority making them prisoners of their own minds.

If you open any book of history, mythology and legends, you will

encounter numerous stories of cultures consisting of heroic men beating the odds and overcoming challenges. This supremacist culture has led to a society of domination and exclusion towards women, whereby men have a past to refer to yet women have no such culture or identity to refer to that has been free of the other. Unfortunately this has meant that the culture and history of women has been inseparably tied with the culture of men, thus making the culture of patriarchal oppression in most society's appear normal.

It is our duty as a nation to change this and create a culture for women in coming generations to refer to, a society that imparts the principles of fairness and equality. As women this is our opportunity to create our own culture and history, one full of women as conquerors, healers, guides, mentors and leaders; a history our girls can be proud of.

Authored by Women and Law



● It is neither wealth or splendor, but tranquility and occupation, which give happiness.

- Thomas Jefferson

● Peace is not the absence of conflict, but the presence of God no matter what the conflict.

● Only when one is connected to one's own core is one connected to others, I am beginning to discover. And, for me, the core, the inner spring, can best be refound through solitude.

- Anne Morrow Lindbergh

● Being relaxed, at peace with yourself - confident, emotionally neutral, loose, and free-floating - these are the keys to successful performance in almost everything.

- Wayne W. Dyer

● How beautiful it is to be alive!

- Henry S. Sutton

● Freedom from desire leads to inner peace

- Lao Tse

● A smile is the beginning of peace. - —

Mother Teresa

● Whenever you are sincerely pleased, you are nourished.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

● End each day with thoughts of peace. Begin each day with thoughts of peace. Continue thinking thoughts of peace throughout your precious day and happiness will be yours.

Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek but a means by which we arrive at that goal.

- Martin Luther King, Jr

● When we are present in each moment, the past gently rolls up behind us and the future slowly unravels before us.

- Rev Richard Levy

● Everything you do can be done better from a place of relaxation.

- Stephen C. Paul

● Life is lived in the present. Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow is yet to be. Today is the miracle. It's not the tragedies that kill us. It's the messes.

- Dorothy Parker

● Set peace of mind as your highest goal and organize your life around it.

- Brian Tracy

● Nothing is worth more than this day.

- Goethe

● Let loose of what you can't control. Serenity will be yours. The quieter you become the more you can hear. Seize every day as an adventure and your spirit will soar when you discover the wonderful surprises life has to offer. True peace is found in this moment. Acceptance is the 1st step to inner calm. The poor long for riches, the rich long for heaven, but the wise long for a state of tranquility.

- Swami Rama



Dear Editor

I am an investigative journalist currently based in London.

On September 29, I took my younger brother's son (10 years old) to Mkhuzweni Hospital in the Hhohho region for treatment.

The boy was suffering from head injuries following a confrontation with a toddler. He was dizzy and bleeding - he needed urgent attention.

Upon arrival at Mkhuzweni, we were confronted by a security guard, who directed us to a waiting room - there was no one there. The security guard was very helpful. He ran up and down looking for nurses to attend to my brother's son. He told us that only two nurses were on duty that evening. That shocked me. I could not believe that a hospital as big as Mkhuzweni can have two nurses on duty. A hospital that is expected to provide health care to hundreds if not thousands of people to the whole Hhohho region. In fact that is an insult to the health fraternity. The boy was in pain and no nurse was around to attend to him. We were then told that one nurse went home for dinner and the other one was attending patients in the wards.

One nurse arrived two hours later to attend to the boy - who was at that time very dizzy and confused. I was also confused. At that time I craved to be a doctor. I asked the nurse how come only two nurses were on duty. She answered, "The Mkhuzweni hospital is suffering a 'nursing crisis' with a shortage of general and specialist nurses. Not far from the hospital, there is a

MKHUZWENI HOSPITAL OF HELL

Response by Health PS Dr. Zwane

FIRST and foremost, we would like to thank you for bringing this to our attention.

We have contacted the Mkhuzweni Health Centre on this matter.

The findings are that there is NO record whatsoever for a patient who was 10 years old and had head injuries who reported at the facility on the 29th September. This was confirmed by the doctor who was on call as well as the nursing staff. There is not much that can be said after that. With regard to the "tavern nearby", we are surprised as to what is the connection to the health centre. The ministry is well aware of

notorious tavern, very famous for violence - which has recorded a number of deaths over the years and this is the tavern that suppliers injured patrons to the hospital on daily basis. Residents around Mkhuzweni have raised concerns about overworked nurses in this hospital.

They say, posts at the hospital are not being filled and this has added pressure onto the limited staff available. The shortage of nurses in this hospital has led to many deaths and it is now a fact that Mkhuzweni is a "hospital of hell." Residents added that this hospital is now considered one of the worst in the country and the death rate has increased over the years. An old man said once you bring an old patient to this hospital, rest assured you will hear sad news the next day. No elderly patient survives here," he said. What shocked me at this hospital was that windows in some parts of the hospital are broken and that plaster is tumbling from the walls, exposing extensive

the dilapidated infrastructure as noted by the writer. This is not ideal by any standard and will be attended to as soon as there are funds available.

Surprisingly, though, is that there is no mention of the ultra modern maternity ward in the same facility, an investment made by the government. There are several other citizens who still choose Mkhuzweni as their preferred centre for receiving care. This is not to say that all is well at the facility. Management and staff of Mkhuzweni will continue to work hard to improve its service offering to the people of the Hhohho region and beyond.

Our view is that a lot of what is written are statements which have no proof, they have not been tested anywhere and we respect the fact that the people who made such statements are entitled to their opinions. Lastly, we must all remember that the country is going through difficult economic times and is surely trying hard to avail resources to the health sector. We encourage all our citizens to assist us in every way possible to improve service delivery to Emaswati for better health which is an important determinant of economic growth and prosperity.

Thank you Mr. Editor.
Warm regards
Dr. S. Zwane

cracking. Curtain rods hang lopsidedly from the wall, and there are no curtains for privacy. There are holes in the ceiling and I saw at least five tennis-ball sized holes in the waiting room area.

A patient who was admitted in one of the wards said that he was scared to be in this hospital but had no other option as this was the only hospital around. He said the hospital was very old and needed serious attention.

Added

He added that a majority of people around Hhohho region have lost confidence in the hospital and requested government to intervene in order to save people's lives. Some patients said they were desperate to get better so that they could leave the hospital. His Majesty's 2022 Vision will never be realised if we still have hospitals that are not providing adequate health care services to the nation.

For such an embarrassment, I asked myself this question, who is in charge

of this hospital? Is the ministry of health aware of the problems faced by this hospital? Does the minister of health care about the well-being of patients in all government hospitals? Are inspections in these hospitals and clinics done? I am told patients are even scared to walk around or rather rest under trees within the vicinity of the Mkhuzweni Hospital because the grass is not maintained. The guards once killed a snake here - a big one," said one patient who preferred to remain anonymous.

Residents are pleading with the ministry of health to visit the Mkhuzweni Hospital, and listen to the plight of the people. The hospital needs serious revamping and the attitude of the nurses has to change. I flew out of the country with a broken heart. Can someone come to the rescue the Mkhuzweni Hospital.

Leo Gama
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VITALS

Prime Rate	10%
First National Bank	
Inflation Rate	2%
Central Statistical Office	
Mortgage Rate	10%
Swaziland Building Society	
Bank Rate	6.5%
Central Bank	
Petrol (u)	E12.80 per litre
Replacement	E12.85 per litre
Diesel	E12.80 per litre
Paraffin	E 9.15 per litre
Engen Garage	

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Correct as at 09 OCT 2019

CURRENCY	BUY	SELL
US Dollar / SZL	15.2370	15.2870
British Pound/SZL	18.5975	18.6585
Japanese Yen/SZL	7.0125	7.0348
Swiss France/SZL	15.3305	15.3777
Botswana Pula/SZL	1.3698	1.3881
Australian Dollar/SZL	10.2652	10.3004
Canadian Dollar/SZL	11.4418	11.4785
Mozambique Meticals/SZL	5.5211	5.5942
Euro/SZL	16.6959	16.7507
Gold	1,507.0349	
Oil	59.03	

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CBE records E191.1 profit

STORIES BY QONDILE NTIWANE

EVEN though its profits declined by four per cent, the Central Bank of Eswatini (CBE), operationally, remained profitable during the 2018/19 financial year, reaching E191.1 million profit at the end of March.

This is contained in the bank's 2018/19 Integrated Annual Report presented by Governor Majozi Sithole at the Royal Villas yesterday.

He noted that this had been a difficult year but the CBE was able to contend with the challenges faced.

The report highlighted that the bank was increasingly concerned with the decline in profitability, which has the potential to affect its independence and as such, initiatives to ensure future financial sustainability are embraced in the bank's strategy.

The report further depicted a 132 per cent increase in amount due to the bank from the Government of Eswatini.

In the current financial year, the amount due from government stood at E3 007 667 billion as opposed to E1 298 566 owed in the previous financial year.

The increase in amounts due from government was caused by the securitisation of government advance and additional advances issued in tranches of E680 million, E500 million and E480 million during the year.

...figures show decline of four per cent from profits recorded in 2017/18 financial year



Central Bank of Eswatini Governor Majozi Sithole during the presentation of the report at Royal Villas yesterday. (Pics: Simon Shabangu)

Addressing the gathering, the governor said the structure of this report was informed by the bank's primary mandate and responsibilities, as well as the governance structures and enabling functions that underpinned its ability to sustainably execute its role in the economy and society at large.

Reporting

He explained that integrated reporting was considered the right way to achieve a more coherent corporate reporting system, fulfilling a need for a single report that provides a fuller picture of an organisation's ability to create value over time.

"Matters included in the report are aimed at informing and providing assurance to stakeholders on the bank's ability to deliver on its mandate, commitment to sustained relationships and responsible corporate citizenship," he said.



WELL DONE: Tibiyo Taka Ngwane MD Dr Absalom Dlamini congratulating CBE Governor Majozi Sithole while ESA CEO Dr Phil Mnisi looks on. This was during the annual report presentation at Royal Villas. (Right) Some of the attendees of the event following proceedings. (Pics: Simon Shabangu)



GDP to increase by 2.9 per cent in 2020

THE country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is projected to increase by 2.9 per cent in 2020.

The GDP will then retreat to 1.3 per cent and 1.7 per cent in 2021 and 2022, respectively.

This was revealed by Central Bank of Eswatini (CBE) Governor Majozi Sithole when presenting the 2018/19 Integrated Annual Report.

He stated that according to official

provisional estimates released by the Central Statistics Office, the GDP, which is a measure of economic activity, was estimated to have expanded by 2.4 per cent in 2018 compared to 2.0 per cent in 2017.

Developments

This increase is mainly accounted for by strong positive developments in the primary and tertiary

sectors.

Frequency

He highlighted that the high frequency data reflected that economic activity expanded by 6.1 per cent on a year-on-year basis (seasonally adjusted) in the second quarter of 2019, up from a revised 3.3 per cent in the previous quarter. The significant increase on a year-on-year basis largely benefitted from

improvements in the secondary sector.

"Economic activity is projected to decelerate to 1.4 per cent in 2019 from 2.4 per cent in 2018; largely due to worsening fiscal challenges. The main sectors that are projected to perform poorly include construction, wholesale and retail and general public administration," he said.

A-ETRADE CALLS FOR CONTINENTAL HQ APPLICATIONS

BY BAHLE GAMA

THE African e-Trade Group has extended an invite to countries that wish to express their interest in hosting the continental headquarters.

A-eTrade CEO and Chairman Mulalelem Syoum said through a press release statement that, as they continue to forge ahead in the realisation of boosting intra-African Trade and building from the successful launch in the Kingdom of Eswatini, the A-eTrade Group will soon set up the regional office of West Africa in Conakry, Guinea.

"In parallel, the re-bidding for the three other regions of Africa namely North, East and Central Africa is on-going. In collaboration with the African Union Commission, we are inviting countries to express their interest in hosting the A-eTrade continental headquarters," he said.

Syoum further stated that the A-eTrade Group wished to express gratitude to His Majesty King Mswati III, the Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini, the private sector and the entire Eswatini nation for the successful launch of the Southern African regional offices for the Pan-African e-Commerce platform in the Kingdom of Eswatini last Friday.

"As we continue to endeavour to cre-

About the African e-Trade

The African e-Trade Group is a social enterprise initiated by a group of African, multi-stakeholder and multi-talented professionals and entrepreneurs. The A-eTrade Group works to empower the African digital economy. This work focuses on a trading platform and capabilities that boost African trade and African exports.

E-commerce or the digital business aspect of the business will have to go hand-in-hand with the e-government agenda that aspires to

build smart nations in Africa. This is possible through the widespread use of ICT as a means of continuously improving good governance.

This will, for example, allow the tax authorities to have a transparent tax collection and reporting system, which will also have a better return. That transparency, that better performance, will enhance citizens' trust in the state. Trust is the best foundation for any nation's prosperity.

He also mentioned that they are engaged in the process of establishing their Southern African regional offices in the Kingdom of Eswatini, a process that should be complete by the end of the year.

Process

The process includes putting systems in place to set up the office by November, recruitment process for key positions; which will be advertised in mainstream media, engagement of different agencies with the view of collaborating in order to effectively implement the e-Government programme and e-Commerce platform and information gathering on local MSMEs.

"This is a project for all Africans – we need to work together to fast-track Africa's positioning in the digital economy," he said.

Gratitude

Our gratitude also goes to the African Union Commission in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, for their support since we formalised our collaboration through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding in October 2018. Subsequent to the coming into force of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) on July, 7, it has become extremely imperative that we all play a role in the acceleration of the operationalisation process and e-Commerce platforms will undoubtedly play a pivotal role in this regard," he added.

US Embassy entrepreneurship incubator course for Nhlanguano

BY BAHLE GAMA

THE US Embassy in Eswatini and Start-up Grind will host an entrepreneur incubator course at Nhlanguano.

Interviewed yesterday, Start-up Grind Director Bertha Sithole said the course was intended for the out-of-school youth in Nhlanguano and surroundings and would run for three weeks.

"The entrepreneurial process requires prospective business owners to have a tremendous amount of drive, to understand the development process, to know their communities, to skilled marketing plans, and to have a basic understanding of the day-to-day operations of a successful business," she said.

She further stated that every entrepreneur has to pitch as the programme intends to expose participants to the Pitch Anatomy and a competition, where they stand a chance to win amazing prizes.

"The entrepreneur incubator curriculum offers a framework that is easy to understand. It will provide participants with relevant experiences and skills so they are better prepared to start and manage their own businesses.

This three-week course is open



DIRECTOR: Start-up Grind Director Bertha Sithole.

to any out-of-school individual between the ages of 18 to 35. They must have a desire to start a business and must be available to attend class every weekday for the duration of this course. Study materials and meals will be provided and admission is free," she added.

Upon completion, they will receive a US Embassy Eswatini certificate of completion.

To sign up for the course, candidates must submit a motivational letter to the Nhlanguano National Library and it must talk about the candidate and why they desire to be an entrepreneur.

"The motivation letter must be addressed to Nhlanguano Entrepreneur Incubator 2019 or email to bertha@startupgrind.com. Approved candidates will be contacted by October 18," she said.

All set for EIPA, German Chamber of Commerce business seminar today

BY QONDILE NTIWANE

THE Eswatini Investment Promotion Authority (EIPA), working closely with the Southern Africa German Chamber of Commerce, will host a business seminar today.

The business seminar is building on initial economic exchanges that were initiated between Eswatini and members of the German Chamber at the end of April about investing and trading in Eswatini. The event will be held at the Mavuso Trade and Exhibition Centre starting at 9am.

EIPA CEO Sibane Mngomezulu

said the German Chamber was bringing key companies like Siemens and defence division of Airbus, TUV Rheinland and the Germany Trade and Invest, amongst other key companies. He said EIPA, on the other hand, has assembled key experts in certain sectors of interest for these companies to stimulate beneficial discussion.

"Our main objective is to influence investment decisions of the CEOs of these companies by providing a holistic information package to them.

"We have also organised site visits for them to look at potential opportunities to do business in the country," he said

E58 500p/m contract for Crime Stop Security

BY BAHLE GAMA

SMALL Enterprises Development Company (SEDCO) has awarded Crime Stop Security a tender with a contract price of E58 500 per month.

This is according to the Eswatini Public Procurement Regulatory Agency (ESPPRA) which stated that the company was awarded the tender in terms of Section 45 of

the Public Procurement Act No. 7 of 2011 (the Act), following a competitive bidding process.

Bidding

Crime Stop Security is a Swati company and in bidding for the contract, the company was up against two other Swati security companies, namely Top Two Security and Intelligence Security.

Crime Stop Security is based in Manzini and they won with an evaluation score of 85.77 per cent.

DETAILS OF BEST EVALUATED RESPONSIVE TENDERER

Name
Nationality
Proposed contract price
Total Evaluation Score

Crime Stop Security
Swati
E58 500 per month
85.77 percent

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PAY YOUR TAX: As the submitting of the annual tax returns is nearing its deadline which is October 31, the SRA has put up some gazebos close to busy shopping centres and areas to avoid last minute submissions. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)



MOVING FOWARD: Central Bank of Eswatini Governor Majozi Sithole speaks during the 2018/2019 Intergrated Annual Report launch at Royal Villas yesterday morning. (Pics: Simon Shabangu)

CBE TO BE EFFICIENT, INTEGRATED BY 2021

BY QONDILE NTIWANE

THE Central Bank of Eswatini is looking to be an agile, efficient and integrated bank by the year 2021.

This is part of the bank's strategy announced by Governor Majozi Sithole during the launch of the 2018/19 Integrated Annual Report at the Royal Villas yesterday.

He said they may achieve all other strategic targets, but should they miss this one, their entire strategy would fail.

"In the previous year, we captured our V4 targets for the 2018/19 financial year. We identified four strategic areas of focus, namely; human dynamics, financial sustainability, regulatory reform and business intelligence. Each of these strategic areas is overseen by a champion. A total of 15 programmes are run under these strategic areas, with each programme

headed by a manager reporting to the relevant champion," he said.

Sithole said with regards to performance against strategy, progress on the 15 projects under the four strategic areas would be reported monthly to the Projects and Change Management Committee.

He added that coming to their strategy outlook, the question they continuously asked themselves was 'Where are we going?'

"Assuming that success was a place, how would we know we are there? We thus must speak to our most important goals to be achieved in the next 12 months. Again, we focus on our V4 targets, process outputs and strategic projects. This is where we demonstrate 'The four Disciplines of Execution' approach, in that;

"We have not discarded any targets in the process of identifying our important goals. Instead, we allocated weights to help us prioritise the

targets. The weighting and prioritisation was based on an assessment of which targets assisted the bank more towards achieving agility, efficiency and integration," he said.

The governor further mentioned that they had implemented monthly monitoring scorecards for the Projects and Change Management Committee and the quarterly scorecards for the Board Capital Projects and Investment Committee, which he said would provide compelling scoreboards for tracking delivery. On issues on governance, Sithole emphasised that the board maintains full and effective control over the operations of the bank and was accountable and responsible for its performance and compliance. "The board reviews the strategic priorities of the bank, determines investment policies and delegates to management the detailed planning and implementation of the objectives and policies in accordance with accept-



REMARKS: Governor Majozi Sithole making his remarks at the event.



ANSWERS: Real Sector Senior Economist Welcome Nxumalo reacts to one of the issues raised.



APPRECIATIVE: Board Member Dr Mike Matsebula makes his remarks.

able risk parameters. The board monitors compliance with policies and achievements against set objectives by holding management accountable for its activities through performance reporting and budget updates.

"The Board is assisted by four com-

mittees which all have their functions set-out in specific committee charters. The structure and composition of the committees is in line with international corporate governance best practice in central banks," he said.



QUESTION: Eswatini Sugar Association CEO Dr Phil Mnisi poses a question to the governor.



ATTENDEES: Some of attendees from different organisations who were in attendance.



LET'S TALK: Head of ICT Sinaye Dlamini and Dr Petros Mashwama in a conversation after the event.



ALL SMILES: Some of the Central Bank staffers who were at the report presentation.



PRESENT: Captains of industry from different institutions came through to witness the report presentation.

Focus on World News

News

EU'S TUSK ACCUSES BORIS JOHNSON OF 'STUPID' BREXIT BLAME GAME

LONDON - The host of next week's European summit, EU Council President Donald Tusk, on Tuesday accused Prime Minister Boris Johnson of trying to shift blame for the failure of Brexit talks.

"What's at stake is not winning some stupid blame game," Tusk declared, in a Twitter message addressed directly to the British leader.

"At stake is the future of Europe and the UK as well as the security and interests of our people. You don't want a deal, you don't want an extension, you don't want to revoke, *quo vadis?*" he said, using Latin for "where are you going?"

Tusk, whose council represents the leaders of EU member states, was reacting after Downing Street said Germany's Angela Merkel had warned Johnson that a deal is now "overwhelmingly unlikely".

Johnson's Brexit envoy, diplomat David Frost, is in Brussels for technical talks on a possible withdrawal agreement to put to EU leaders at next week's Brussels summit.

But the two sides are still far apart over future customs arrangements for Northern Ireland, and EU officials were forced to deny reports from



ACCUSED: UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson.

London that talks are close to breaking down.

"From our side we reiterate that the EU position has not changed. We want a deal, we are working with the UK for a deal," spokeswoman Mina Andreeva told reporters.

Officials

"Technical talks are continuing today so I don't see how talks could have actually broken down if they are happening today and in the days to con-

tinue," she said.

Talks between Frost and junior EU officials were to begin later on Tuesday, then chief EU negotiator Michel Barnier was to meet Irish foreign minister Simon Coveney in the evening.

Yesterday, Barnier was to brief the European Commission and officials have said the talks must lead to a legal text by tomorrow if they are to be considered at the October 17-18 summit. **AFP**



BUDGET: Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari.

Nigeria's Buhari unveils record 10.33 trillion naira budget

ABUJA - Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari on Tuesday unveiled a record budget plan to lawmakers, ramping up ambitious spending goals for his second term in charge.

The draft budget increased more than 13 per cent from last year at 10.33 trillion naira — around US\$33.8 billion (30.8 billion euros) at an official exchange rate of 305 naira to the dollar.

It was based on a projected price for crude oil of \$57 per barrel and output of 2.18 million barrels a day in Africa's leading producer.

Nigeria is one of Africa's biggest economies but it has struggled to improve growth after emerging from its deepest recession in decades in 2017. The government put the growth rate at just over two per cent for the first half of 2019 and predicted it would rise to 2.93 per cent in 2020. Buhari was elected for a

final four-year term in February on pledges to boost the economy and create jobs for Nigeria's young and rapidly expanding population.

But the government has consistently failed to fulfil its ambitious spending targets in previous years.

The focus for 2020 remained on infrastructure spending with housing, power and transport receiving major chunks of the budget.

Aim

The authorities are trying to increase revenues as they look to wean Nigeria off oil and aim to increase value-added tax from five to 7.5 per cent.

The budget - which has to be approved by lawmakers - put estimated federal government revenue at 8.16 trillion naira for next year, leaving a deficit of some 2.18 trillion naira. Debt servicing was predicted to gobble up 2.45 trillion naira of expenditures in 2020. **AFP**

Trump calls congressional impeachment probe 'kangaroo court'

WASHINGTON - President Donald Trump on Tuesday defended the decision to block a top diplomat from testifying in a congressional impeachment probe, calling the procedure a "kangaroo court."

"He would be testifying before a totally compromised kangaroo court, where Republican's rights have been taken away, and true facts are not

allowed out for the public," Trump tweeted.

Trump was referring to the US Ambassador to the European Union Gordon Sondland, who had been due to testify before Democratic lawmakers looking into allegations that Trump abused his office by pressuring Ukraine to investigate election opponent Joe Biden. **AFP**

Elite Mozambique police unit linked to poll observer's murder

MAPUTO - Mozambican police said members of one of its elite units were involved in the murder of a poll observer in a ruling party stronghold just ahead of next week's election.

Anastacio Matavele, 58, the Head of a local election observation mission, was shot dead on Monday while driving away from a workshop in Xai-Xai, the capital of the south-eastern Gaza province.

National Police Commander Bernardino Rafael said there were

five perpetrators involved in the "homicide," of whom "four (were) police officers of the Republic of Mozambique assigned to the Gaza rapid intervention sub-unit".

Accident

He said the attackers suffered a fatal car accident as they fled the scene, colliding into another vehicle at full speed. Two died on the spot and two were seriously injured, while a fifth managed to escape.

He added that two senior provincial police officers had also been sus-

pected and that a commission of inquiry had "15 days to present a detailed report".

Gaza is a stronghold of Mozambique's ruling FRELIMO party, which has dominated power since the southern African country gained independence from Portugal in 1975.

President Filipe Nyusi is widely expected to win re-election in next Tuesday's election. The opposition alleges that the government has already started tampering with the electoral process. **AFP**

BRIEFS

Policeman stoned to death by protesters

MALAWI - A policeman was stoned to death on Tuesday in Malawi during clashes between pro- and anti-government protesters ahead of President Peter Mutharika's first public meeting since a disputed election, police said. A wave of protests over the May poll has gripped Malawi since May and Msundwe - a trading outpost west of the capital has been a hotbed of demonstrations. "We have lost a police officer," police spokesman James Kadadzera told AFP, adding that he had been stoned to death and "killed by rioters and criminals this morning". Anti-government protesters had blocked the main road in Msundwe to stop supporters of the ruling Democratic Progressive Party from travelling to Mutharika's first rally in the city since his poll win. **AFP**

Thief swipes US\$840k watch

PARIS - A Japanese man who stepped out of his Paris hotel for a cigarette was robbed of his \$840 000 Swiss watch by a thief who snatched it off his wrist, police sources said. The 30-year-old victim was approached outside the five-star Hotel Napoleon near the Arc de Triomphe late on Monday by a man who asked for a cigarette. The thief then grabbed the man's arm and fled with the rare Richard Mille timepiece, a Tourbillon Diamond Twister estimated to cost some 770 000 euros. Mille timepieces, with their bulky cases that reveal the intricate inner mechanisms, are highly prized by aficionados - and instantly recognisable to thieves targeting wealthy tourists in the French capital. **AFP**

Jet makes emergency landing in Senegal

DAKAR - An airport official in Senegal says an Ethiopian Airlines plane made an emergency landing at the international airport outside the capital Dakar after an engine caught fire after takeoff. Blaise Diagne International Airport spokesman Tidiane Tamba told The Associated Press that the pilots of the flight, which was headed to Addis Ababa via Bamako, Mali, called the control tower quickly after takeoff on Tuesday morning requesting an emergency landing. He said the pilots reported that the right engine was on fire. The plane landed and an emergency fire crew quickly put out the flames. He said none of the 90 passengers or flight crew were injured. **AP**

Man finds hair in food, shaves wife

BANGLADESHI - A Bangladeshi who forcibly shaved his wife's head after finding a hair in his breakfast has been arrested, police said on Tuesday, as rights groups warned violence against women was rising in the conservative Muslim nation. Police raided a village in the northwestern district of Joypurhat and arrested Bablu Mondal, 35, after villagers told officers about the incident. "He found a human hair on the rice and milk breakfast his wife prepared for him," local police chief Shahriar Khan told AFP. "He became angry seeing the hair and blamed the wife. He then took a blade and forcibly shaved the head of the wife," he said. **AFP**

Focus on SA Scene

Your Daily Mzansi News

I'm the best candidate to lead weakened DA - Athol Trollip

CAPE TOWN - Athol Trollip, his former party leader Helen Zille, Deputy Chairperson Thomas Walters and Deputy Chief Whip Mike Waters are vying for the powerful position of federal council chairperson, which will be vacated by the outgoing James Selfe.

Although the four names are in the hat, the contest is fast shaping up as a two-horse race between Zille and Trollip.

The bullish Trollip on Tuesday told DispatchLIVE he had made himself available because of his "great affection for this party" and his belief that the DA "represents the only realistic alternative to the failing ANC". "The challenges the DA is facing are centred on factional interpretation of what we are trying to achieve, which is 'one SA for all' based on 'freedom, fairness, opportunity and diversity'. Factionalism occurs when there is weak leadership and ill-discipline. I believe I can strengthen both," the DA federal chairperson said.

With calls mounting for embattled DA leader Mmusi Maimane to step down, Trollip — a strong ally of Maimane — said that was just politics.

"The tallest trees always collect the most wind. However, I draw the line at personal attacks and faceless attacks in the media — it's simply cowardly and reprehensible.

"Mmusi Maimane was elected at a DA congress and he will have to be replaced at a congress if a majority of party delegates want that. No group of individuals will remove a DA leader through the media. That would be chaos and we are not a party of chaos," he said. Trollip said he was confident of getting enough votes when Selfe's successor was elected next Friday. "I fancy my chances against Zille. There's a Greek saying that one shouldn't step in the same river twice. She resigned as leader of her own volition and handed over. *Times Live*

I am being targeted because I am close to Zuma - Dudu Myeni

JOHANNESBURG - Former SAA board chairperson, Dudu Myeni, says her ongoing court case was politically motivated.

Speaking exclusively to Independent Media on Tuesday, Myeni said that while she respects the fact that her matter is before a court of law, she feels aggrieved that she was being targeted.

Myeni was responding after she failed to show up at the Pretoria High Court where she has been dragged by the Organisation Undoing Tax Abuse and the SAA Pilots' Association (SAAPA), who want her to be declared a delinquent director, thus effectively preventing her from being a director in any company.

Firing back, Myeni said her proximity to former president Jacob Zuma was the reason why she was being persecuted.

Political

"This is political. The only reason I'm being targeted is that I'm the chairperson of the Jacob Zuma Foundation. My suspicion is that I'm attacked because of my prox-

imity to president Zuma," she said.

Taking aim at SAA, which she wants to fund her legal bill using an insurance it has for its directors, Myeni said their behaviour was raising questions.

She used the case of Khaya Nqula, a former SAA chief executive who left the airline under a cloud in 2009 and alleged the struggling

DA FACTIONS SQUARE UP AHEAD OF ORDINARY FEDERAL COUNCIL

DURBAN - The upcoming ordinary federal council of the Democratic Alliance to be held in two weeks time has pitted two internal factions against each other, with one of them allegedly centred around party leader, Mmusi Maimane, who is backed by Athol Trollip, the former mayor of Nelson Mandela Bay.

According to some party members, Trollip is close to Maimane and has the backing of the national leader ahead of crossing swords with former party national leader, Helen Zille, who will be contesting the position of federal chairperson.

The alleged faction opposed to the Trollip and Maimane camp is centred around Zille and it has members like James Selfe and Zille's long time associate, Bonginkosi Madikizela, who has been quiet on the controversies around Maimane.



FACTIONS: Mmusi Maimane and Helen Zille.

Trollip is reportedly backed by Maimane and his ability to speak fluent Xhosa has made him friends with some leaders of the party's so-called black caucus.

A DA member from KZN who would be taking part in the ordinary federal council said among

those in the corner of the Trollip and Maimane camp, are DA public representatives such as Phumzile Van Damme, Mbali Ntuli, Herman Mashaba and other black leaders like Luyolo Mphithi.

"Many people like us are supporting Trollip," said the leader,

warning that Zille's chances would be hampered by the fact that Mike Waters would compete.

The source said if Waters withdrew from the race, it could clear the path for Zille to emerge, as both Zille and Waters were backed by the same faction in the party.

'Far right-wing IRR has done 'too much damage'

CAPE TOWN - Johannesburg Mayor Herman Mashaba has slammed the Institute for Race Relations (IRR), saying it has a "racist strategy" and it admires "the evil apartheid past".

This after the institute called for South Africans to pressure the DA to "expel racist leaders, stamp out corruption, stop race-based policies, break off its alliance with the EFF, and appoint good leaders".

In a series of tweets, Mashaba said the "DA has been hijacked by a far right-wing organisation".

He said the IRR statement was "extremely concerning" and it suggested that the DA "should not associate with other blacks organisations".

Mashaba also accused the IRR of damaging the party and DA leader Mmusi Maimane's leadership. In response to Mashaba

tweets, IRR's spokesperson Michael Morris said Mashaba was "misguided".

"Herman Mashaba is misguided in thinking that the IRR's long-standing argument for non-racism is motivated by racist impulses.

"On the contrary, the IRR has invested considerable resources over a long period in crafting alternative measures to replace existing ineffective (race-based) empowerment policy," Morris told TimesLIVE.

Morris said the resources were crafted with a view to "overcome the disadvantages millions of poor South Africans are still burdened".

"Our view is that SA's success hinges on the freedom and prosperity of all South Africans, but will elude us so long as lingering disadvantage remains unaddressed.

Times Live

Duduzane Zuma serves state with letter of demand

JOHANNESBURG - Fresh from stating his side of the story before the Zondo Commission of Inquiry into State Capture, Duduzane Zuma has served the state with a letter of demand with summons set to follow.

Appearing at the commission, Zuma Jnr denied allegations that he was corrupt. Zuma Jnr, who now spends most of his time in Dubai after suffering perceived political persecution in the country, has already served court papers to the state for two malicious prosecution.

According to his attorney, Rudi Krause, an experienced litigator specialising in criminal law, general litigation and asset forfeiture at BDK Attorneys in Johannesburg, Zuma has already served a letter of demand to the state and the next step would be determining the amount they want as compensation from the state. The two letters pertain to his arrest in July last year when he landed at OR Tambo International Airport to bury his late brother, Vusi Zuma. At that time he was arrested for alleged corruption after former deputy finance



LETTER OF DEMAND: Duduzane Zuma.

minister, Mcebisi Jonas, claimed that he and the Guptas offered him a bribe of R600 million for the finance minister job at Treasury. His arrest sparked an uproar when he was dragged to court in iron chains to his hands and feet. Unable to prosecute Zuma Jnr, in January this year the National Prosecution Authority (NPA) provisionally withdrew the charges saying it wanted Jonas to first appear before the Zondo com-

mission. And in the second case, Zuma Jnr was tried for culpable homicide for a February 2014 car accident where Zimbabwean national Phumzile Dube died. However, in July this year, the Randburg Magistrates Court acquitted him, with Magistrate Tebogo Thupatlase saying one of the witnesses of the state was unreliable and saying the state failed to prove its case beyond reasonable doubt. *Politics Bureau*

Focus on SA Scene

airlines company funded his legal battles. "Khaya Nqula had a case and SAA paid his fees, they are refusing to pay mine. Why?" Myeni asked.

A combative Myeni said she reported the alleged corruption at SAA to Parliament's standing committee on public accounts (SCOPA).

"I would have expected that all chairpersons to be called because SAA losses are his-

torical.

"Why do they not call the boards, the ministers and the Executive?... This matter is before a judge so I don't want to make pronouncements."

Politics Bureau



However, both Zille and Trollip denied being members of factions when approached for comment.

"That's absolute nonsense! I'm not part of any faction and won't be painted into that corner. Earlier in the week I was painted into a faction opposing Maimane, just shows how ridiculous this is," Trollip said.

Zille was very emphatic that her decision to run for the position was strictly to bring unity and stability in the party.

"I am running for chair precisely to work for unity and stability. If elected, my job will be to support the leader. The leader and the relevant executives will give direction. I will co-ordinate implementation," Zille said.

The fourth candidate who would be contesting the federal chairperson position is Thomas Walters, who is believed to have been the one who raised the issue of Maimane and the Cape Town mansion he registered as his while he was paying rent. **Politics Bureau**

Don't fall for the R200 WhatsApp stokvels scam

JOHANNESBURG - The National Stokvel Association of SA (NASASA) has warned people not to fall for the "quick buck" WhatsApp stokvels scam.

This after several WhatsApp groups have been targeting vulnerable people.

The scheme promises those entering the groups high returns by simply handing over R200.

"This thing looks like a pyramid scheme," Andrew Lukhele, founder and chairperson of Nasasa said.

Lukhele said traditional stokvels were normally made up of a limited group of friends who come together to form an association.

He said there were regular meetings, with rules and reg-

ulations. The payout ratio was determined upfront.

"Everything is based on trust. In this instance, people come together and you don't know who you are joining. It is a faceless operation, so what happens when the money disappears?"

"Chances of this thing disappearing any time are there."

Lukhele said fraudsters were using the popularity of stokvels to take advantage of gullible and vulnerable people.

"People will take chances and we can only warn people not to fall for things that have not been tested. Stokvels have been tried and tested for many years." **Times Live**



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Mother of EFF's Fana Mokoena, passes away

JOHANNESBURG - Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) MP Fana Mokoena's mother, Khasiane Ntloko, has passed away, the party confirmed via a statement yesterday.

"The loss of a mother is the greatest and most emotionally destabilisation in an African family. Women, in black families over many centuries, are the alpha and omega, the authors and finishers of our lives. They make us into what we are and when we heed to their words, we never go astray," the statement said.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

LAUNCH OF GOVERNMENT BONDS TO THE SUM OF E160,000,000;
SG039 REOPENING, MATURING 31 JANUARY 2022 - COUPON 9.10%, E30,000,000
SG040 REOPENING, MATURING 31 JANUARY 2024 - COUPON 9.40%, E40,000,000
SG041 REOPENING, MATURING 31 JANUARY 2026 - COUPON 9.85%, E40,000,000
SG042 REOPENING, MATURING 31 JANUARY 2029 - COUPON 10.25% E50,000,000

On behalf of the Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini, the Central Bank of Eswatini is announcing the reopening of the above mentioned Government Bonds. The coupon rates for these bonds are fixed at 9.10%, 9.40%, 9.85% and 10.25% respectively. The Auction Date will be on 28 October 2019 for the sum SZL 160,000,000 (One Hundred and Sixty Million Emalangeni).

The Bonds will be issued using the competitive multiple bid auction model and is open to the public including individuals, corporate and institutional investors. All investors should apply through the Primary Dealers who are the four local Commercial Banks.

The purpose of the issuance is to develop the secondary market, establish a fair market price which will compensate both the borrower and investors for interest rate risks and to facilitate financial intermediation, whilst also meeting Government budgetary requirements.

The applicable Pricing Supplements and other relevant documents pertaining to the issuance is available for viewing at the Financial Markets Department of the Central Bank of Eswatini situated on the 3rd Floor, Umntsholi Building in Mbabane, as well on the Central Bank website www.centralbank.org.sz

The Central Bank of Eswatini invites interested parties to contact their commercial banks or collect application forms and further details at the Financial Markets Department, Central Bank of Eswatini, Mahlokohla Street,

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Specific details for these Government Bonds are contained in the following "Call to Tender" table:-

CALL TO TENDER

**LAUNCH OF FIXED COUPON
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AUCTION TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 28, 2019**

The Central Bank of Eswatini as agent for the Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini invites bids for the above Government Bonds whose terms and conditions are summarised as follows:

1. Issuer	Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini
2. Amount	SZL 160,000,000 (One Hundred and Sixty Million Emalangeni)
3. Greenshoe / Over-allotment option	The Issuer reserves the right to allocate an additional amount of up to 50% of the amount on offer on each bond.
4. Procedure for bidding	Investors to submit application forms for bids through their Primary Dealers. Investors should ensure that applications are submitted timely in order that all bids are captured on the Central Securities Depository System (CSD) before 10:00am on the auction date.
5. Auction date	October 28, 2019
6. Settlement date	October 31, 2019
7. Form of issuance	Paperless (Central Securities Depository)
8. Auction results	Auction results shall be made available on the Bank's Website immediately after the auction.
9. Yield	Yield to Maturity to be quoted in multiples of 0.005%
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Separate Pricing Supplements will be available for each of these bonds. The Central Bank of Eswatini reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications.

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CHURCH NEWS



KING HOSTS END OF YEAR PRAYER

AS 2019 draws to its end, His Majesty King Mswati III has called a prayer to mark the end of the year which is scheduled for Sunday at Lozitha, Mandvulo Grand Hall.

The service was confirmed by Reverend Dr Nicholas Nyawo who said this time around, the service, normally held on Saturday, will be on Sunday. He stated that due to the King's busy schedule, His Majesty has decided on switching days.

"As a nation we have to come together and thank God for all the good things the country has achieved this year.

The country hosted a number of important events and celebrations which were all a success.

Their Majesties and government heads all had important international working trips which were a success as no incidents were reported. We have to thank God for His Mercies and pray for His protection during the upcoming festive season," he



ROYALTY: His Majesty King Mswati III going through the Scripture during a church service last year. It was also attended by Her Majesty the Indlovukazi and Emakhosikati.

said.

Dr Nyawo also added that His Majesty has always asked for peace

from Emaswati which is still in existence. He said that also must be appreciated as it is God's favour that at

this time Emaswati are still a united and peaceful nation.

Dr Nyawo, who is one of the organ-

ising committee members, urged church leaders from all denominations to come in their numbers and pray with Their Majesties on this special day. He said churches based near and around Lozitha areas are also invited to come and fellowship with the King.

Dr Nyawo said the congregation is expected to be settled by 10am and await the arrival of the King. The head of Evangelical Church said a number of pastors would share the Word of God on the day.

They include Anglican Bishop Ellinah Wamukoya, Pastor N Mthethwa, Pastors N Hlatshwayo, Pastor T. Simelane and Reverend Sihlabele, among others. Their Majesties are also expected to minister to the congregation afterwards.

"We will also have music ministry rendered by the Mandvulo praise team and many other artists who will bless the congregation on the day," he said.

United Christian Church of Africa revivals coming

United Christian Church of Africa will host revivals starting October 25 until 27th.

The services, according to the local preacher Luke Mkhonta, will be held at Zombodze Emuva branch in Antioch, well-known as Endalini.

He said the service is aimed at preaching the Word of God and calling people to repentance. He said the theme of the service is derived from **Hezekiel 14 verse 6 and Acts 3 verse 19.**

He said the guest preacher is Sister Thabile Dlamini from Movement Church at Logoba. He said the services will start at 18:30

until 20:30 on Friday and Saturday and close with a special service on Sunday starting at 10:00 until 13:00.

"We invite people to come through for these services.

This message is for all that believe that Jesus Christ died for us in the cross. We will be preaching the Word of God that separates man from the sin.

We urge people to come join us and see God changing their lives forever. We do not discriminate as people from other denominations are welcome to join us," he said.

All Night Prayer at GNF

GOD Never Fails Church will host an all-night prayer tomorrow at Lozitha.

The service will be preceded by today's service where the founder and leader Bishop ND Nhlapho will minister to the congregation. The service, according to the bishop, will also provide an opportunity for the congregation to fellowship and have as much time of listening to the Word of God. He will also be conducting a healing and deliverance service where he will pray for the brethren.

The bishop said people must come in their numbers to hear what God has done to the lives of His people using him. He said the service had already yielded positives as a number of people have come forth to give their testimonies. "This Friday will be the same as people are itching to tell the world what God has done for them through the bishop," he said. This will not be the first time for the church to host such a service as several has been hosted and attracted scores of people.



ALL NIGHT: Bishop ND Nhlapho.

Starting in the Spirit, ending in the flesh

GALATIANS 3:3... 'Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh'. Someone was talking to me about a huge ministry that has now become all about marketing, branding, entertainment, comedy and the flesh.

"Pastor, that was not how they started" said the person talking to me. "They were very spiritual and holiness minded in the beginning". "That's not strange," I said. It is possible to start in the Spirit and end in the flesh. It is possible to begin with Christ and end with comedy. It is possible to begin with true message of the Cross and end with motivational speaking. It is possible to pioneer in the Spirit, and perfecting it in the flesh. Here is how it generally happens. First, the minister, It all begins with the minister. He is start-

ing off and pioneering.

He doesn't have anything but his calling and his God. He begins his ministry in the Spirit, prayer, righteousness, dependence on the finished work of Christ, sound doctrine are all hallmarks of his ministry. He lays hold of the Spirit of God desperately. He does not have a choice. God was all he had.

The Spirit was all he possessed. Second, prayer, righteous living and the relationship with the Spirit of God unleashes something in the ministry. The minister began to draw men to the ministry. People are coming in droves. They love the preaching. They are stirred to live right. They love the conviction of the Spirit that they feel in the church and the challenge to live right that the ministers give.

Revival has broken out. It's the new church in town. *Third, Money. *The Spirit drew men and now the men brought their money. Offerings go up. The ministry now has resources in abundance. When people are touched by God, one of the first signs is generosity towards the ministry and the minister. This begins to happen and church is filled with resources and money.

The prayer request is now devoid of money problems. Money problem is no longer the ministry's toughest problems. The ministry is enlarging and acquiring campuses. Fourth, Momentum, The minister has men.

The men brought money. Men and money generate momentum. When you have momentum, things can now happen on their own.

Things that could only happen before by intense praying and fasting happen now without the lifting of a finger. Things that took years to happen can now happen in days.

There is momentum! Momentum quickly replaces the Spirit. It is now about excellent delivery instead of Spirit driven sermon. It is about making people feel good, no longer about make them feel conviction. It is now about motivational speaking, no longer about the message of the Cross. It is now about dominion on earth, no longer about desire for heaven.

The priority now is about ambience. It's now about the flesh. When we reach this stage, It is now *Echabod!* The Spirit is gone. The ministry started in the Spirit and ended in the flesh. The work was pioneered in the Spirit but perfected in the flesh. This is happening all around you. GOD IS STILL GOD.

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SWAZIJIVE IS BACK RUNNING NEW OFFICES

BY NOKWANDA SIBANDZE

ON, off and on again, Swazi Jive Entertainment is back and running.

This was confirmed by Director and founder Sakhile Nkambule.

Nkambule said he was excited to have the stable up and running again.

The stable previously occupied offices at the Checkers Shopping Complex but will now be occupying a new studio at Sidvashini, in Mbabane.

"We have moved to Sidvashini now where we will be working on our projects. Currently I am only managing Smokey and Wigo, who are the only artists with the stable," he said. Swazi Jive recently parted ways with Ginz after their partnership failed soon after creating a company called GinzandJive.

Producer LO also followed soon after as he released a statement saying he would no longer be working with Swazi Jive.

Speaking to this publication, Nkambule had previously said working solo was tough but he was managing everything well.

He also revealed through this publication that he would be bringing the stable's festival Hipnotik back.

Nkambule seems to be busy with a number of things concerning getting back his studio up and running, planning the Hipnotik Festival.

However, Nkambule said the details about the festival were still not ready for release yet tickets are available as people have been seen buying them.

Speaking to Gcebile Mamba, who has attended the festival since its debut, she said even though she did not understand what was going on with the festival and the stable, she was still willing to buy the tickets but only after the release of the line-up.

"I love the festival and the secrecy around it is killing me, I hope Sakhile knows what he is doing because some people are still willing to attend the festival. I also hope that if he continues with hosting the show in South Africa it will be as good as the one he will do for Eswatini," she said.

BACK: Swazi Jive Entertainment Founder Sakhile Nkambule.

Antidote Music hopes to groom more artists

BY NOKWANDA SIBANDZE

AFTER helping launch two artists into the industry, Antidote Music is determined to groom more artists in the country.

The music stable has seen the success of house music DJ !Sooks who recently won the Dance Music Awards South Africa (DMASA) award for the Best Underground Record of the Year for his song with Avi Subban and Mzwaa releasing his first EP 'I Got It' video, the stable seems to be on the right track.

Both artists are also nominated for the MTN SWAMA awards. They are nominated six times respectively.

Speaking to Antidote Co-Founder Mmeli Hlanze, he said they were proud of these achievements.

Speaking on !Sooks' recent win, he

said they were excited because they knew that the award was a big win for him.

"It was also a big win for us and for the local house music community. To have one of our own win such a significant international award validates all the hard work he has put into his craft and more so it validates the quality of local house music producers and DJs," he said.

Hlanze said they would, as a stable, continue to groom more artists.

"We will groom artists that will follow in the footsteps of these artists that are making us proud and hopefully even exceed what he is achieving. We have huge hopes and expectations for our artists and their brands, and hope they will only get bigger from here," he said.

He also thanked Eswatini for the support they have shown them and encour-

aged more support behind local rising stars.

HOPES: Antidote Co-Founder Mmeli Hlanze.

'My show will change the industry in Eswatini'

BY NOKWANDA SIBANDZE

COMEDIAN Chik Aljoy promises nothing but pure laughter at the show to be held on November 1 at Sibane Hotel.

Chik Aljoy is Africa's first black ventriloquist and originates from Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. The comedian said this show will change the comedy industry of the country.

According to the comedian, the tour is targeting 10 countries in Africa and he would be kick starting it in Eswatini.

"The plan is to grow it in every country that we will visit. The show is divided into two segments, the first 90 minutes is local acts featured from South Africa and Eswatini and the second segment is my one man act," said the comedian.

The comedian said most of the upcoming acts in the first segment would also get to travel with him for the rest of the tour.

"The idea is to break the stigma of only supporting established acts in the comedy industry, most of these upcoming acts are actually funny and way more talented than the established acts but no one is giving them platforms where they can actually grow their own audience database. So this is not just a one man show, it's actually an African production that consists of some of the most hilarious acts Africa has to offer," said Aljoy.

Donating

He also said since this was not his first time in the Kingdom, the goal was to sell out the show so that they could give back to the community by donating some sanitary towels to local schools, because giving back also kept him sane.

"I was once a street child and I know the feeling of having someone help you," he said.

He said to all his fans in the country and people that would take the risk of coming out to the show, he would not disappoint.

"This is going to be the funniest show, packed with amazing talents and thought provoking humour. After this show, comedy audiences in Eswatini will have a different take and understanding of the comedy craft, I swear on my mother's grave," he said.

Hosting the comedian in the country is former journalist Phesheya Kunene.

Kunene said this was his first show and he wanted Emaswati to witness what the first black ventriloquist has to offer before other coun-



PROMISES: Chik Aljoy.

tries do.

"This show is important because we are bringing a comedian with unique skills and rare talent. This show is also important because it is set up to also promote our upcoming talent," he said.

Kunene said the main goal for the show was to grow the local comedy industry.

"People should be ready to have a great time, our main act for the night is currently preparing a special set specifically for Eswatini and it will sure leave the audience with a lasting impression," Kunene said.

Chik Aljoy believes young comedians are the future of African comedy and deserve to be given such platforms in order for them to get out there and see how things actually work in mainstream comedy.

Reputation

"The comedy industry has always had its own ups and downs since I started but I took every challenge as a lesson and preparation for moments like these, I have had a good standing ovations reputation along the years which is one thing that kept me going cause as artists we are boosted by the support and appreciation from our audiences.

Also I have been privileged to work with almost 80 per cent of the established comedians around Africa and some of the times even headlining those shows, which for me was an honour and amazing experience," he said.

The show will be hosted by Eswatini's only female comedian Mandy Ginindza. Tickets to the show are available at CompuTicket at E150 for general entry, E200 for VIP.

Tickets will also be available at the door at E180 for general entry and E230 for VIP.

I was once a street child and I know the feeling of having someone help you

THE DIVAS CONCERT COUNTDOWN:

THERE'S POWER IN COLLECTIVE FEMININE ENERGY- VELEMSENI

BY NOKWANDA SIBANDZE

SONGBIRD Velemseni is just one of the powerful women lined up for the first ever Divas Concert to be held at The George Hotel on November 24.

The ladies only show will see seven women showcase their talent for the audience and Velemseni happens to be one of them.

She said the show was special to her.

"There's power in collective feminine energy and I think sometimes as women we get caught up in trying to secure and protect our families that we neglect the need to commune as women. Women heal and women build. It's such a magical feeling when we gather, especially in song.

"It gives me life and a renewed appreciation to myself as a woman and for other women I know," she said.

Adding, she mentioned that the word 'diva' felt like one of those ancient terms whose mean-

ing evolves and changes with each generation.

"Currently, diva means builder, boss, conqueror, high standards and precise executor. A diva does not compromise and a diva is tough but always fair. Perhaps I, as a singer once said, a 'diva is a female version of a hustler'," she added.

For the show, Velemseni said people should expect nothing but the best from her.

Evolving

"I am excited that I'll share new music in this coming show and guide my people to the new era of Velemseni. I'm evolving as an artist and I'm happy to share that journey with my supporters," she said.

Her performance was not the only aspect of the show that Velemseni was excited about as she said meeting with other singers that she admired was also something she looked forward to.

"Gathering with singers who I admire and respect is cool. It makes me feel more significant because of how amazing I think they are.

It inspires new ideas just from watching and listening to them and of course, I critique myself and try to raise the standard every time," she added.

She also said she was excited about the music they will be sharing, bringing together people.

Frequencies

"Music brings us all together because our bodies are 'vibing' to the same frequencies and rhythms.

"Naturally, we are connected by the mere physics of music.

"Music also tends to express the things that we fail to, therefore, giving us a shared experience of letting our feelings out and understanding that one is not alone in the things that we are too afraid to share," said the singer.

Tickets to the show cost E100 for general entry and E200 for VIP and are available at Computicket.

THERE IS POWER: Velemseni.



Eswatini is your home away from home – Minister

BY DELISA THWALA

"WE are ready to welcome you, anytime Eswatini is your home away from home so feel free."

These were the words of Minister of Tourism and Environmental Affairs Moses Vilakati during the farewell dinner for the SABC crew and 'Presenter Search on 3' on Tuesday at Mandela's Restaurant.

The team had been in the country for a week for the special filming of Episodes 11 and 12 which was shot at different locations.

"We will be telling everyone to be on the lookout for the episodes, and marvel at the beauty that is Eswatini.

"The country's tourism is boosted by 60 per cent of South African people so this only humbles and pushes us to greatness," said the minister.

Warmth

Acknowledging Eswatini Tourism Authority team was the Director of the show 'Presenter Search on 3' Charl Laubscher who said they had received nothing but warmth and love.

"My team had been struggling with where exactly to shoot some of the episodes, we had Europe in mind and a lot other countries.

"We then thought of Eswatini and wondered why would we spend so much money going away when we could explore Eswatini just close by," said Laubscher.

Motivational

The remaining five contestants also got a word of advice and motivational talk from Minister Vilakati.

"You guys have fought the battle, and now there has to be one winner. All of you are winners but now the judges must choose the best.



ONE LAST TIME: Minister of Tourism and Environmental Affairs Moses Vilakati posing for a group photo with 'Presenter Search on 3' contestants after handing each of them 'Lihya' as a gesture during the dinner held at Mandela's Restaurant on Tuesday. (Pics: Delisa Thwala)

You also have amazing talent and I wish all of you the best in whatever future endeavours you embark in," said Vilakati.

The contestants and cast team were given 'Lihya' as a token of appreciation.

Speaking on behalf of the contestants, Jamie-Lee Domburg said it has been nothing but an adventure to be in the country. "We truly appreciate the hospitality and the nice people. Even though we were here to work and had cameras following us, it has been an adventurous time in the country," said Domburg.

The team arrived in the country last week Wednesday and started shooting right away. They have been to

places like Ngwenya Glass, Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary, Mandela's, Sibebe Resort and Mantenga Cultural Village.

Elimination

They also had an elimination episode where one contestant had to be sent home. The elimination episode shot in the country will air on October 16 and the others on October 23.

The elimination episode was shot at Sibebe Resort and this saw the panel of judges which were Thando Thabooty Thabethe, Dr Musa Mthombeni of Trending SA and DJ Roger Goode, grace the country and received a warm welcome from the minister.

The grand finale of the show is on October 30 where a winner will be chosen.



WE THANK YOU: Minister Vilakati thanks the SABC team for visiting Eswatini.



GIFT: One of the contestants Khule Adams receiving her gift from the minister.

BY SETSABILE NKAMBULE

FASHION designer Lindelwa Ngwenya represented Eswatini well at the Africa Reception Week held in Paris over the weekend.

Ngwenya showcased her stylish designs inspired by *lihiya*.

Ngwenya is one of two designers who were chosen by the Eswatini National Council of Arts and Culture to represent the kingdom at the fashion show which was hosted by Lexy Mojo Eyes.

Sharing about her experience in Paris, she said the fashion show was amazing and well-coordinated too.

She stated that representing the country at such a big event was an honour to her and a great experience too.

"At first I was a little bit scared because I was in a foreign country where I didn't know anyone. That helped me though as it gave me a sense of growth and independence," she said.

She said through this opportunity, she was able to learn a lot which included backstage co-ordination, business marketing and also meeting new designers from different countries which increased her network.

"This has upgraded my portfolio. I have become a designer that knows how other countries design and my network is wider now as the Europe photographers have been marketing us very well. I look forward to more opportunities that will be coming my way, she said

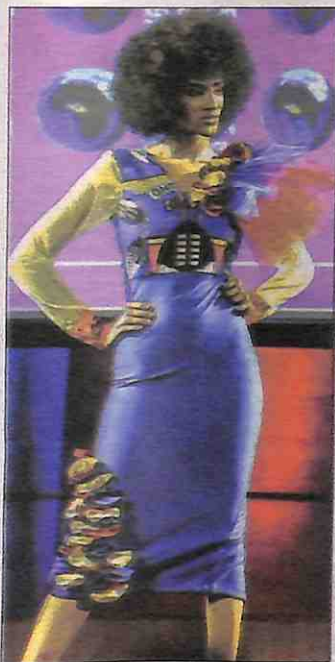
Ngwenya mentioned that she would soon showcase the Swazi designs in Mozambique at African Women Designers Week.

The ENCAC sponsored Ngwenya with registration fee of E16 000 for her Paris trip.

DESIGNER LINDELWA SHINES IN PARIS RECEPTION WEEK



FASHION DESIGNER: Lindelwa Ngwenya (2nd r) alongside her models during the Africa Fashion Reception 2019, which was held in Paris. (Courtesy pics)



PROUDLY LISWATI: Lindelwa Ngwenya's models showing off the Eswatini flag.



UNESWA Poetry Society Tour commences tomorrow

BY SETSABILE NKAMBULE

UNESWA Poetry Society will be embarking on a poetry tour dubbed 'Ligcabho Lesiswati', which will commence tomorrow.

UNESWA Poetry Society is an ensemble of poets from all three campuses; Kwaluseni, Mbabane and Luyengo.

According to UNESWA Poetry Society President Thabani Maseko, tradition plays a vital role in informing a person who they really are, so they saw a need to educate people through poetry.

He stated that Eswatini artists, particularly poets, were custodians of

their traditional customs and especially their mother tongue.

"As it is important that we celebrate our roots, we saw it fit to have this heritage celebration across all three campuses," he said.

Adding, Maseko said they hoped to engage with UNESWA students and those in the arts to have a marvellous celebration of culture and heritage.

He said the tour would start at Luyengo Campus tomorrow, followed by the Mbabane Campus on October 17 and the finale at Kwaluseni Campus.

He said on the last day of the tour, they will then have a cultural extravaganza that would feature UNESWA Culture Club which will be present-

ing traditional dances such as *sibhaca*, and *umgubho* alongside poetry and music before Twins of a Kind close off the show.

The tour will see artists such as Twins of a Kind, Sbu J, Celumusa, B. Sim, Linx, Mcebo, Qhakaza, Dar Kid and Juss Q, Rodwell, Chie, Hlalelwa, Melusi, Mthobisi, Mzet and poet Thabani gracing it.

To sponsor is a digital media company Papyrus Technologies.

Tickets are available at all three campuses at E20 for students and E30 for the public.

"We encourage our attendees to wear their traditional outfits. Poetry lovers should expect a fiery show of poetic warfare," he added.

SNCIZO WORKING ON A SINGLE

BY DELISA THWALA

PRODUCER and graphic designer Sncizo is set to release his debut song on October 18.

The song is titled 'The way I do' and he features an upcoming vocalist Milokul.

The news of the song's release was confirmed by Sncizo during an interview with the Entertainment Desk.

Sensational

He applauded himself and Milkoul for pulling out a sensational RnB song, and said they could not wait for people to hear it.

"The song has been produced by founder and producer Mr Kangaroo

of Swazi Swagg and I can promise my fans that this is the best offering ever," said the singer.

He also said that the song is taken from his upcoming album, 'Indlela'. The album will be released in 2020.

Fooling

The song speaks of genuine love between a boy and a girl but at some point, the male ends up questioning his girl if her feelings are genuine or they are just fooling around.

The song will debut on Eswatini Broadcasting and Information Services. Sncizo rose to fame with a successful release of his song 'Like Nicki' which was also produced by Kangaroo.



Celebville

International Celebrity News

Former Miss Teen USA contestant Caitlin Upton's divorce settled

HOLLYWOOD - Caitlin

Upton, the former Miss Teen USA contestant who infamously mangled an answer about Americans and maps, has hammered out her divorce settlement. Charles McNeil filed to divorce Caitlin - who inter-

estingly goes by Caite Upton - about a year ago, and according to the terms they've drawn up, Caite's biggest



DIVORCED: Caitlin Upton.

with a bank account worth US\$263 and their Husky, Aurora. **TMZ**

concerns were the family dog and her frequent flyer miles. According to the docs, obtained by TMZ, Caite's leaving the marriage,

Snoop Dogg on risqué Kansas basketball performance

NEW YORK - Snoop

Dogg ain't apologetic about his raunchy booty and money-throwing performance at the Univ. of Kansas this weekend ... saying he had one hell of a time, and the school should've known what they were getting into!

Of course, the rap legend pulled out all the stops for the Kansas Jayhawks basketball team's annual Late Night



NON APOLOGETIC: Snoop Dogg.

in the Phog pep rally on Friday, complete with pole dancing women and money guns.

After the show, KU officials apologised

saying Snoop's camp assured them before the show that his performance would be more family-friendly than his usual schtick. **TMZ**

'Dassey won't get special treatment'

HOLLYWOOD - Kim

Kardashian's had the clemency golden touch, but her support for the early release of "Making a Murderer" convict Brendan Dassey won't make any difference, so says the governor who's making the call. Dassey has been

locked up for more than 13 years for the 2005 murder of photographer Teresa Halbach, he was 16 at the time of the killing. Dassey's



NOT ON MY WATCH: Kim Kardashian and Brendan Dassey.

the motion -- retweeting a handwritten letter from Dassey and saying, "Please @GovEvers Read this letter." **TMZ**

uncle, Steven Avery, was also charged with Halbach's murder. Last week, Dassey's legal team issued a plea for clemency - and Kim got behind

2019 BET Hip Hop Awards behind the scenes

HOLLYWOOD - The 2019 BET Hip

Hop Awards are proof

"Hot Girl Summer" is far from over, because some of the sexiest celebs in the industry showed up to rub elbows with rising star Megan Thee Stallion. The awards show returned to Atlanta -- after a brief hiatus in Miami -- for last

weekend's taping, and Quavo made sure to show out in his hometown,

dripping with ice and hanging with Rick Ross. Talk about some BAWSES!!!



BEHIND THE SCENES: Quavo and Rick Ross.

Girl before being joined on stage by DaBaby. **TMZ**

The musical performances were fire too, MTS opened the show with her smash hit, "Hot Girl Summer," twerking on the top deck of the S.S. Hot

Masechaba Ndlovu on Vatiswa Ndara's open letter

JOHANNESBURG - Masechaba Ndlovu has weighed in on a scathing

open letter from Vatiswa Ndara about the alleged mistreatment of actors at Ferguson Films, saying the problem is not the power couple, but an "oppressive" system. In the six-page letter to Arts and Culture Minister Nathi Mthethwa,

Vatiswa opened up about alleged "bullying and exploitation" in the industry. The actress wrote a scathing



OPEN LETTER: Masechaba Ndlovu.

open letter to the minister, detailing her interaction with Ferguson Films. The letter was shared widely on social

media and sparked a debate about the Fergusons and the treatment of actors in SA.

Masechaba shared her thoughts on the debate on Twitter. "I'm so proud of Vatiswa for standing up

when so many are silent. This is not about The Fergusons. **Times Live**

Ferguson Films break silence over exploitation allegations

MIDRAND - TV production company Ferguson Films, owned by power couple Shona and

Connie Ferguson, have for the first time broken their silence over iGazi actress Vatiswa Ndara's open letter accusing them of exploitation.

In lengthy letter released through their lawyer Brendon De Kooker, they address other allegations made by The Throne actress Keke Mphuthi of mistreatment. They also addressed

allegations made by The Queen crew member Katlego Malele over alleged sexual harassment on the set of the show. "The

allegations towards Ferguson Films are consequently misguided, misdirected and misleading and can be seen as a ploy to defame and tarnish our name and

reputation," the statement read. **Sowetan Live**



BREAK SILENCE: Shona and Connie Ferguson.

Former OPW Kayise Ngqula adds voice to outcry

DURBAN - Former Our Perfect Wedding presenter

Kayise Ngqula is the latest celebrity to speak out about the harsh realities of the entertainment industry. This after another actress, Vatiswa Ndara, addressed a scathing open letter on Twitter to Arts And Culture Minister Nathi Mthethwa on Monday. In the letter, Ndara begged Mthethwa to take



OUTCRY: Kayise Ngqula.

steps to stop the exploitation of artists, referring to a contract she was offered by Ferguson Films for iGazi 3 as an example of the exploitation. Ngqula also took to twitter on Monday to reveal how she had been out of work since her last television gig and that her husband had supported her family before his untimely death. **Sowetan Live**

WEEKLY SOAPIE DIGEST



TODAY



ARRANGEMENTS: Samson.

Thokozani gets a call from her father and her anger leads to the spilling of terrible secrets. Samson finally makes the perfect arrangements to get Khanyi alone for a romantic night.



TODAY



FACTS: Nina.

Majola learns some shocking facts about Nina. Florence can't bring herself to tell Gatanga her secret. Anja and the girls are disappointed when they don't receive an invite to Phindile's event.



TODAY



NEWS: Vhangani.

Mulimisi reveals some unsettling truths. James and Marang's nightmare has just begun, the worst is yet to come.. Vhangani receives news that makes him the happiest man alive.



TODAY



SHOCKED: Lerato.

Rene meets a hot new employee at RedHub. Lefa is suspended from school. Lerato is shocked to discover who has been sent to help her.

Maphorisa on gqom

DURBAN - Many say amapiano has taken over the

music scene, thanks to DJ Maphorisa, but he still thinks gqom is a bomb genre. Maphorisa, who has been hailed as a musical genius and noted for tuning every-



MY TAKE: DJ Maphorisa.

thing he touches into gold, said gqom hits such as My Power, featuring Beyoncé and our very own Moonchild and Busiswa. **Sowetan Live**

by the amapiano wave, and the Amantombazane hitmaker felt they were being ignorant to the fact that gqom was still the biggest music genre in SA. To convey his message, Maphorisa took to Twitter in an attempt to remind people that gqom produced banger

music scene, thanks to DJ Maphorisa, but he still thinks gqom is a bomb genre. Maphorisa, who has been hailed as a musical genius and noted for tuning every-

I need a female friend who will say
"ntwana I see you're not okay, close
the door" ...

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TODAY'S HOROSCOPE

Capricorn December 22 – January 19

Your energy and enthusiasm are elevated as you approach yet a higher level of accomplishment. This could inspire you to channel most of your energy into more work and climb yet higher. You might even be thinking in terms of expanding all your horizons - professional, intellectual, and spiritual. Travel could also be in the offing. Consider your options carefully. There might be too many choices.



Capricorn

Cancer June 22 – July 22

A social event involving business associates and friends could bring fresh ideas your way, pointing you in a new direction. Your material and spiritual goals might come under discussion and open your eyes to previously unnoticed opportunities. Communication is clearer than usual. This may prove beneficial. Increased understanding brings you closer to others.



Cancer

Aquarius January 20 – February 18

Today you might experience a bit of restlessness, perhaps because you feel there's something you ought to be doing but you aren't sure what. Your mind is sharp, intuitive, and logical, but too many options could be on the horizon. You might find it difficult to choose among them. Once you decide, you'll charge ahead and make a success of whatever you try.



Aquarius

Pisces February 19 – March 20

You might consider entering a business partnership of some kind with friends. This is a good time because your communication is especially good. Details of each person's role can be worked out clearly. Though it's admittedly going to take some effort, success is indicated for just about any goal.



Pisces

Aries March 21 – April 19

Have you been working toward public acknowledgement of some sort? If so, you may receive it today. You've been working hard and produced results that aren't likely to go unnoticed. Expect some compliments, a lot of praise, and maybe even a moment of fame. Needless to say, this is going to give your self-confidence a boost.



Aries

Taurus April 20 – May 20

All should be going well for you - love, money, and career. Still, you seek other goals, and today you might be thinking of educational, intellectual, and spiritual matters that you've always wanted to pursue. Don't be surprised if you're preoccupied with trying to sort it all out. And don't feel you have to rush to make a decision. Give it some time.



Taurus

Gemini May 21 – June 21

Today you might decide to do some intense research regarding economics, stocks, or land investments and see how it applies to your current financial situation. You've been doing well and should continue doing so. You'll want to find ways to make your money grow. Books, magazines, and newspapers can help your quest, as can consultations with professionals.



Gemini

Sagittarius November 22 – December 21

You're likely to be doing so well financially that you might be a little complacent. With all the hard work you've been doing, you might feel that you deserve some rewards and decide to go shopping. Don't throw caution to the winds, however. You're doing well, but you don't want your house cluttered with items you don't want or need.



Sagittarius

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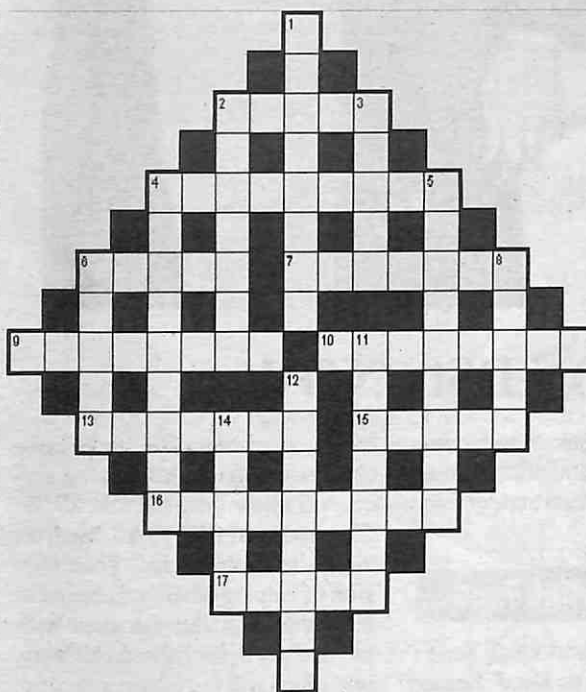


HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



QUICK CROSSWORD

DIAMOND CROSSWORD - 23



Down

1. Courageous (8)
2. Sagacious (7)
3. Decree (5)
4. Imminent (9)
5. Exuberant (9)
6. In front (5)
8. Scrapbook (5)
11. Face veil (7)
12. Boring (8)
14. Attempted (5)

Across

2. Portion (5)
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9. Infinity (8)
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13. Wanderer (7)
15. Evaporating water (5)
16. Seabird (9)
17. Imbibe (5)

LOL
Laughing at Loud

WIFE AND MIKE

WIFE: "Look here Mike. See how Mary's husband takes her to movies and dinner every weekend. Why can't you do that?"

MIKE: "Sure dear, anything you say. Just make sure that Mary is free on the next weekend."

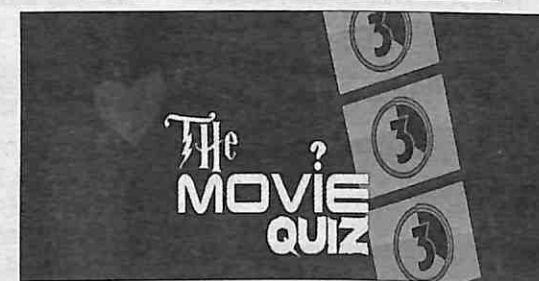
DID YOU KNOW

1. Kea parrots warble together when they're in a good mood, making them the first known non-mammal species to communicate with infectious laughter.

2. Long before rap battles, there was "flyt-ing": The exchange of witty, insulting vers-

es.
3. An estimated one million dogs in the US have been named primary beneficiary in their owners' wills.

4. Maya Angelou was the first black female streetcar conductor in San Francisco.

MOVIE QUIZ
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Yesterday's Quiz

1. In the short film, Michael Jackson: Thriller, who was the narrator, himself the star of many a scary film?

ANSWER:
B. Vincent Price

Today's Movie Quiz

1. When a teenage girl is possessed by a mysterious entity, two priests are tasked with saving her. What is the film title?

ANSWERS:
A. The Exorcist B. The Open Door



CBS' 'ALL RISE' COURTROOM DRAMA PREMIERS

CATCH the first Season of this courtroom drama Wednesdays exclusive to One Magic.

Quiet! Court is in session! Well, it will be once CBS' new courtroom drama 'All Rise' premieres on One Magic at 20:30 tonight.

According to Indie Wire, the drama follows the "chaotic, hopeful and sometimes absurd lives of its judges, prosecutors, and public defenders as they work with bailiffs, clerks, and cops to get justice for the people of Los Angeles, all set against the backdrop of a flawed legal system."

In particular, the show follows Lola Carmichael, played by Simone Missick, a California prosecutor's growth to the bench. We follow her as she pushes through obstacles and challenges expectations of what a change should be while also dealing with the consequences of her actions.

Lola is an esteemed and hard-working former district attorney who has no intention of sitting back on the bench. She's smart and compassionate and serves as both a judge and counsellor. Her naivety and intimidation into her new role work to her advantage as she is unorthodox in the

approach to her profession, often challenging the status quo and in the process, leaving many judges and attorneys shocked.

She's not afraid to sidestep the broken legal system, often going as far as getting personally involved in the private lives of public defenders and their clients whose cases she presides over.

"The series is, if anything, idealistic in its mission to shine a light on stories from diverse perspectives, exposing the general population to live in the Judiciary, while highlighting problems currently plaguing America's social climate, in order to hopefully inspire change," writes Indie Wire.

All Rise premieres tonight at 20:30 on One Magic DStv Channel 103.



CATCH UP ON DStv NOW

Grey Zone

Genre: Drama, Thriller, Suspense
In Denmark, drone engineer Victoria is held captive in her home in the lead-up to a terrorist attack in Scandinavia. The Swedish security police and the Danish intelligence service collaborate to prevent the threat from transpiring.

Pearson

Genre: Drama
From the creator of 'Suits,' this spin-off drama zooms in on the world of recently disbarred NYC powerhouse Jessica Pearson – who contends with the down and dirty politics of Chicago.

Stroop

Genre: Wildlife, Documentary
This award winning, critically acclaimed

documentary unpacks a harrowing investigation into atrocities of rhino poaching and the illegal trade of rhino horns.

Fear The Walking Dead

Genre: Horror, Paranormal, Sci-Fi
In 'Fear the Walking Dead' Season 5, the group's mission is clear: locate survivors and help make what's left of the world a slightly better place. With dogged determination, Morgan Jones (Lennie James) leads the group with a philosophy rooted in benevo-

lence, community and hope. Each character believes that helping others will allow them to make up for the wrongs of their pasts. But trust won't be easily earned. Their mission of helping others will be put to the ultimate test when our group finds themselves in uncharted territory, one which will force them to face not just their pasts but also their fears. It is only through facing those fears that the group will discover an entirely new way to live, one that will leave them forever changed.



'Ifalakhe,' a jaw dropping first episode

THE all new series 'Ifalakhe' premieres on Mzansi Magic this October!

Mzansi Magic presents its brand-new series Ifalakhe, the jaw dropping, never seen before story of raging kingdoms, power-hungry kings and their deceptive kin!

This spectacular series is set to enthrall viewers as a dramatic succession of events ensues due to an epic clash between two formidable nations.

Ifalakhe, created by Stained Glass Productions is the story of the powerful Okuhle tribe who wage war against the Khanya people who have been raiding their cattle and killing their women and children. What makes the situation even more complex is that Khombindlela, the Okuhle king, finds his tribe on the brink of suffering harsh repercussions from a prophecy that hangs over his head.

This prophecy not only threatens his lineage of the rule of his true heir but also gives him an unnerving task of ensuring it does not come to fruition – heavy indeed is the head that wears the crown!

"The series was set in pre-colonial Southern Africa, which adds a rich texture to the story and makes

for, what we feel, is brilliant television," says Mmamitse Thibedi, Director from production house, Stained Glass. "We've worked hard to create an intricate, intriguing plot that highlights the adverse effect of multiple twisted agendas and manipulation of power from the kings themselves and also from characters such as the king's wives – who have their own selfish ambitions," she adds.

Starring Bheki Sibiyi, Bheki Ngcobo, Chris Radebe and Sthandwa Nzuzi the cast of this 13-part drama series focused on ensuring that the authenticity of all the characters is preserved and that the narrative of the era rings true.

Nkateko Mabaso, CEO M-Net says: "Ifalakhe is a captivating and multifaceted story which delves into a number of complex themes, including touching on elements of African history, mythology and leadership. We are excited to share this series with Mzansi Magic viewers and are confident that it will grow to be loved by our audience."

Ifalakhe, the riveting epic from Africa's favourite storyteller aired on Mzansi Magic DStv Channel 161 from October 6.

CELEBRATING 17 SEASONS OF ELLEN DEGENERES SHOW

IT'S going to be a big one!

Wow! Where did all the time go? Can you believe that 'The Ellen Degeneres Show' has been around for 17 seasons? Not only has the show survived for so many years, but it also remains one of the most successful talk shows on air.

Season 17 kicks-off on VUZU on Monday, and we cannot wait!

The new season features exciting episodes with some of the world's biggest TV stars, including Kris Jenner and her daughter Kylie, Oprah Winfrey, Cardi B, Tyler Perry, the Jonas Brothers and many more.

You will also see some of those touching and priceless moments where Ellen changes other

people's lives. You know she likes to see others happy and that's what makes her extra special. Oh, and don't forget that she loves scaring her guests. There's a lot of that on season 17!

'The Ellen Degeneres Show' airs weekdays at 17:00 on VUZU, DStv channel 116.



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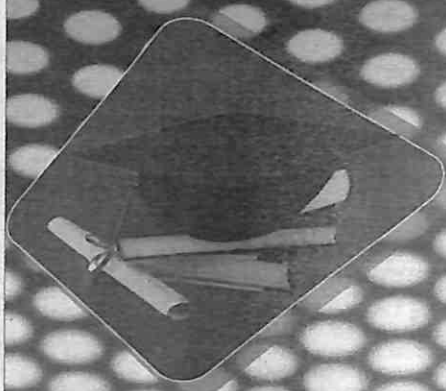
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DEATHS

Getrude Magedi Khumalo



Funeral: 13/10/2019
Vigil: 12/10/2019
Place: kaVelezizweni

Kwatiswa tihlobo nebangani bamake Getrude Magedi Khumalo kutsi sewusishiye emhlabeni. Kwatiswa bekhakhakhe ka Khumalo kaDvokolwako eMvinda, bekhaya kubo kaVilane kaVelezizweni, bakaMkhaliphi ekhabonina kaVelezizweni nelibandla lakhe eVelezizweni AEC. Utawufihlwa ekhaya lakhe kaKhumalo kaVelezizweni ngelisontfo mhlaka 13/10/2019 ngemuva kwemlindzelo. Losasishiye emhlabeni nguMake Getrude Magedi Khumalo lobekatiwa ngekutsi nuMagedi. Simemetelo sikhishwa ngu Samson Khakhalazi Khumalo egameni lemndeni.

Death brings pain that time can only heal, as words could ease what we truly feel but with God, her joy is eternally sealed, and cherish her memories that death can't even steal

Condolences

Gladys Nana Simelane



Funeral: 12/10/2019
Vigil: KUTE
Place: Mkhulamini

Relatives and friends of Gladys Nana Simelane are notified of her sudden demise. Memorial service at St Paul's Methodist Church in Manzini on Friday 11th October 2019 at 1:00 p.m. Funeral will be at her home in Mkhulamini on Saturday 12th October 2019, starting at 5:30 a.m. NO NIGHT VIGIL.

Khepheshana Solomon Dlamini



Funeral: 12/10/2019
Vigil: 11/10/2019
Place: Emphembekati

Kwatiswa tihlobo, umndeni, bangani, basekhakhakhe, nebasemsebentini, bakaDlamini, kutsi Khepheshana Solomon akasekho emhlabeni. Utawufihlwa Emphembekati (Emoyeni). Umlindzelo umhlaka 11 October 2019. Simemetelo sikhishwa ngu Lofa Dlamini umnakabo egameni lemndeni.

Lindiwe Maureen Khalima nee Dlamini



Funeral: 12/10/2019
Vigil: KUTE
Place: Nkoyoyo

Kwatiswa tihlobo nebangani ba Lindiwe Maureen Khalima nee Dlamini waka 1st makholokholo lobekasebenta ka Health kutsi akasekho emhlabeni. Kwatiswa emalangenzi eZibonele indlu ya Ngangaza, baka Khalima (Malawi) baka Zwane eMpuluzi kanye nelibandla lakhe eMbabane Alliance. Inkonzoyekumkhumbula itoba ngalesihlanu nga 1pm eMbabane Alliance Church 11 October 2019. Kutoba nenkondzo lemfisha ekhaya lakhe 1st makholokholo itocala ng 7pm, kutoba bete umlindzelo. Umgwabo utoba ngemngcibelo ekuseni emvakwenkondzo letocala nga 5 am bese ubekwa emathuneni ase Nkoyoyo. Simemetelo sikhishwa ngumndeni.



May the gates of heaven open up to reveal strength and comfort in your times of trial and sorrow
God will comfort you.

Judith Dlamini



Funeral: 13/10/2019
Vigil: 12/10/2019
Place: eSiyeni

Kwatiswa tihlobo nebangani ba Judith Dlamini kutsi akasekho emhlabeni. Utawufihlwa ekhaya lakhe eSiyeni ngelisontfo mhlaka 13/10/19 ngemuva kwemlindzelo lotoba ngemngcibelo. Simemetelo o sikhishwa ngumndeni. Lala ngekuthula Gwalagwala.

Mathokoza Micah Mvubu



Funeral: 13/10/2019
Place: Lwandlekhesiya

Relatives and friends of Mathokoza Micah Mvubu are notified of his sudden death. He will be laid to rest on Sunday 13 October 2019 at Lwandlekhesiya bus stop. By Musa Mvubu Elder Brother & Family.

Amos Muntfuwami Mankembe Gamedze



Funeral: 13/10/2019
Vigil: 12/10/2019
Place: Malindza

UMNDENI WAKA Gamedze watisa Tihlobo nebangani kutsi Muntfuwami Amos Mankembe Gamedze akasekho emhlabeni. Kwatiswa bekhakhakhe ka Simelane nebasekhakhakhe kaDlamini Ekukhanyeni, nebaka Tfwala Engogola utawufihlwa ekhaya kubo kumalindza ngelisontfo mhlaka 13/10/19 emvakwemlindzelo. Simemetelo sikhishwa ngumnakabo Maitseki Gamedze egameni lemndeni.

Free Themba Maliba



Funeral: 12/10/2019
Vigil: 11/10/2019
Place: Shewula

Relative and friends of Free Themba Maliba are notified of his sudden death. He will be buried in Shewula Hhahhwalala on Saturday 12 October 2019 after a night vigil. Announcement by his family.

Sibongile Veronica nee Motsa



Funeral: 12/10/2019
Place: Logoba

Kwatiswa tohlobo nemndeni waka Dlamini newaka Motsa kutsi Sibongile Veronica nee Motsa lotalwa ngumkhulu Mshiyane engcongweni kutsi akasekho emhlabeni. Kwatiswa baka Dlamini eNhlangano eMahlandle bekaMotsa kubulunga, ekutsimuleni naka Hhohho kanye nelibandla lakhe le AME. Kutaba ne memorial service ngalesihlanu 11/10/19 ehholeni laka Labotsibeni AME Church nga 1:00 pm entsambama. Kutoba nemlindzelo ekhaya lakhe kaLogoba emakholweni ngentasi kwe Hill side school. Ufihlwa ngemngcibelo ekuseni khona kalo Goba. Simemetelo sikhishwa ngumndeni. (Rest in peace Ndebankhomo)

REST IN PEACE



Gilbert Mgubane Guliwe



Funeral: 13/10/2019
Vigil: 12/10/2019
Place: eSiphocosini

Gilbert Mgubane Guliwe, kwatiswa tihlobo nebangani ba Babe Gilbert Mgubane Guliwe kutsi akasekho emhlabeni. Kwatiswa baka Nkosi ekhakhakhe baka Dlamini ekhabonina nebaka Tfwala ka gogo wakhe emankayane, kwatiswa nelarelikho onkhe kanye netintingeli. Utawufihlwa ekhaya lakhe eSiphocosini kaNyama ngelisontfo mhlaka 13/10/2019 emvakwemlindzelo ngemngcibelo. Simemetelo sikhishwa bantwabakhe egameni lemndeni.

Our Deepest Condolences

Death is only a bridge towards eternal life with God. Certainly Heaven is rejoicing for another soul has finally reached his true home.

Mary Jabulile Mkhabela



Funeral: 12/10/2019
Vigil: 11/10/2019

Kwatiswa tihlobo nebangani ba Mary Jabulile Mkhabela kutsi akasekho emhlabeni. Ufihlwa ngemngcibelo mhlaka 12/10/19 emvakwemlindzelo ngalesihlanu. Kwatiswa baka Mkhathwa elwandle, baka Mkhabelela kumaliyaduma, baka Dlamini kumaliyaduma lapho akhulela khona, bekhabo Nina baka Ngwenya, basemsebentini wakhe eGolden Jubilee kumatsapha. Simemetelo sikhishwa ngu Myeni wakhe Mpho Mkwatjwa egameni lemndeni. Lala ngekuthula Khonkhosi lehlile.

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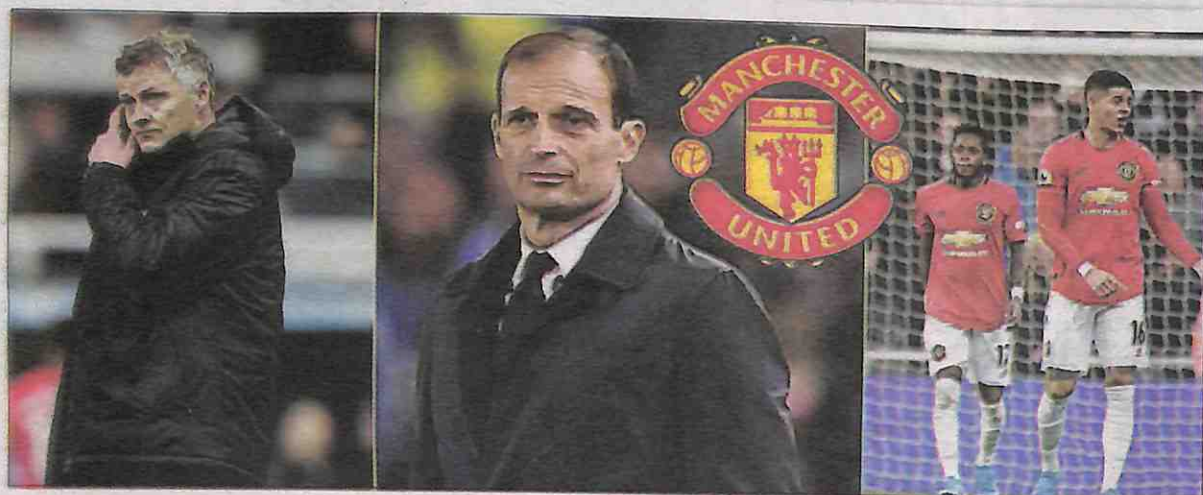
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ALLEGRI SETS A DEADLINE

MANCHESTER - Massimiliano Allegri has informed Manchester United he will only take over the club if he is given the job in the next few weeks.

The former Juventus boss is currently out of work since leaving Turin at the end of last season and is widely tipped to become United's next manager.

Ole Gunnar Solskjaer is currently under intense pressure following an awful start to the season and could be axed should United lose heavily against Liverpool on Sunday.

United Executive Vice-chairman Ed Woodward only handed Solskjaer a three-year deal just over six months ago but is beginning to lose patience with the team's woeful performances

...as he 'tells them he'll only take over if he's given the job in the next few weeks' amid intense pressure on boss Ole Gunnar Solskjaer

on the pitch.

They have won just two of their league games and sit in 12th position, two points above the relegation places heading into the second international break of the season.

They needed penalties to see off Rochdale in the League Cup and were held to a 0-0 draw at AZ Alkmaar in the Europa League last week before going down at Newcastle at the weekend. Allegri is understood to be high on Woodward's list of potential replacements but United may have to act quickly if they want him to take over.

According to *Gazzetta dello Sport*, Allegri is interested in the position but has set a deadline on accepting the job as he wants to have as much time as possible to turn things around at the club.

It is reported that he would be unlikely to take the job if he was offered it in December, meaning any approach would have to be made in the coming weeks. Sportsmail understands that United have also earmarked Julian Nagelsmann as a future Old Trafford manager.

Daily Mail

'I was right to swap Madrid for Arsenal'

LONDON - Arsenal midfielder Dani Ceballos believes he was right to join the club on loan from Real Madrid, where he had not been enjoying his football.

Ceballos has played 11 times for the Gunners in all competitions, scoring one goal and assisting two others, earning himself a call-up to the Spanish national team.

Moreno has selected the midfielder in the squad to face Norway and Sweden in Euro 2020 qualifying fixtures on Sep. 12 and 15, respectively. "I'm at Arsenal right now and I feel very good," Ceballos told reporters on Tuesday in Madrid, where the Spanish team are training. "I knew I definitely wanted to leave (and) I was right to leave Madrid."

"Right now I'm where I want to be, and I am very happy. My idea was to leave, play and enjoy football. Over the past two years I have not done that. I was right to go seeing as I'm in the Spain squad."

Ceballos joined Real Madrid from Real Betis in 2017, but he failed to establish himself as a key player under Zinedine Zidane in his first spell at the club.

When the French coach returned in March, Ceballos was again surplus to requirements and moved to Arsenal on loan in July. *Reuters*



RIGHT MOVE: Arsenal midfielder Dani Ceballos.

Mourinho showing interest in Tottenham job

MANCHESTER - Reports have surfaced claiming Jose Mourinho would be interested in the Tottenham Hotspur job should Mauricio Pochettino vacate the position.

The Portuguese coach was sacked at Manchester United last December after high-profile clashes with star players Paul Pogba and Anthony Martial, while there was apparent discontent over the club's failure to sign a defender in the summer.

Meanwhile, Pochettino has done brilliantly to build Spurs into a side

consistently challenging for the top four places in the Premier League, while he got them to the Champions League final last term.

However, they have struggled this season with injuries and rumours of unhappy players in the squad, with speculation over the summer that several key stars could leave.

And now there has been some speculation that he could leave Spurs, although Tim Sherwood says Daniel Levy would never sack Pochettino.

TeamTalk Media

Liverpool great Fowler's coaching baptism as A-League kicks off

SYDNEY - Robbie Fowler's first season as a coach gets underway this weekend when Australia's ailing and expanded A-League kicks off, with the Liverpool great keen to stamp his mark on a Brisbane Roar side that struggled last year.

While Fowler was briefly player-coach of Thai club Muangthong

United, and has worked extensively at Liverpool's academy, he has no other senior coaching experience. But he knows the A-League well after spells with North Queensland Fury and Perth Glory at the end of his playing career and described himself as a "good, reliable, safe option" when he was appointed. *AFP*

Klopp on track to make lasting impact at Liverpool

LONDON - Jurgen Klopp is now in position to build a legacy at Liverpool, according to his assistant Manager Peter Krawietz.

Exactly four years ago Klopp was confirmed as Reds boss, inheriting a team which had lost its way under Brendan Rodgers.

The club were three points off the top four and six behind leaders Manchester City but, over the course of the next 48 months, the German has turned them into a force at home and abroad.

A sixth European Cup was secured in June as Klopp finally triumphed in his fourth final with the Reds, having just guided them to a record-breaking second-place points tally in being pipped to the Premier League title by a point.

Four years on from his arrival Liverpool sit top of the standings, having considerably turned the tables on City having already established an eight-point lead over the defending champions.

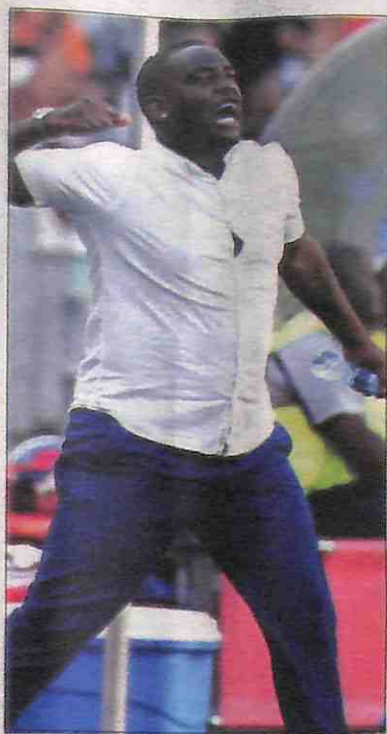
At his first press conference, Klopp, promising to change "doubters into believers", pledged: "If we sit here in four years I think we win a title, I'm pretty sure."

He has delivered on that with the Champions League triumph and has also put the team in a position to end their 30-year wait for a domestic championship.

But Krawietz insists the progress can be measured in more than trophies. "We knew it wouldn't be easy, we didn't expect it would be easy," he told *liverpoolfc.com*. *TeamTalk Media*



CHIEFS TO FACE CITY IN TELKOM KNOCKOUT



GAME ON: Cape Town City coach Benni McCarthy.

JOHANNESBURG - The Soweto giants will be up against the Mother City in the 2019 Telkom Knockout as Kaizer Chiefs were drawn against Cape Town City and Orlando Pirates welcoming Stellenbosch FC in the 2019 Telkom Knockout.

The Telkom Knockout (TKO) competition was launched in Johannesburg amidst fanfare and promise for more action, more drama and (Z'hipha) More Goals!

The draw for the 2019 edition was also conducted in an event attended by all the 16 clubs participating in this tournament.

Baroka FC, the reigning champions, will lead the charge as they attempt to defend a trophy they won against expectations at the Nelson Mandela Bay Stadium in December 2018. They face stiff competition from 15 of their colleagues from the ABSA Premiership. Once again, the sup-

porters will be central to this year's tournament. Telkom, which has been an official sponsor of the tournament for 13 consecutive years, will be giving away daily cash prizes to the value of R1 million.

PSL acting Chief Executive Mato Madlala said she expects the 2019 edition of the Telkom Knockout to produce more magic and to once again be the point of discussion amongst football fans from October to December.

The final of the Telkom Knockout will be played on December 14 at a venue that is yet to be announced. Gugu Mthembu, Telkom Executive for Brand and Product Segments said: "All hands are on deck and we are ready to see drama unfold on the soccer field. There is a lot on the cards for Telkom customers and we promise an amazing tournament this season." *Sport24*



BATTLE: Kaizer Chiefs coach Ernst Middendorp.



Ex-Pirates star in club search

JOHANNESBURG - Former Orlando Pirates and Bidvest Wits crowd favourite Sifiso Myeni says he has not given up on playing football.

The 31-year-old has been without a club since he was released by the Clever Boys at the end of last season following an unsuccessful loan stint at SuperSport United. Myeni trained with Highlands Park during the pre-season but didn't do enough to impress the decision makers at the Lions of the North. "If God gave you the talent, only God can take it away from you and no one else," Myeni told the DailySun. "Football is my thing. I love playing football. I know I can still give more. I won't mind even playing in the NFD (GladAfrica Championship). Sadly in South Africa, once you have hit the 30s age mark, people write you off and it is a bit difficult to get a club. "That is something I cannot control. But my agent is working on something to get me a club." *Citizen*

'Kambole needs time, just like Mbesuma'

JOHANNESBURG - Former Kaizer Chiefs assistant coach Farouk Khan feels striker Lazarous Kambole will come good for Amakhosi but needs time to settle at his new club.

Kambole was one of the Soweto giants' high-profile signings before the season, joining from Zambian side Zesco United, but is yet to set the scene alight in South Africa.

Khan though believes Kambole should be afforded time to adapt to local football just as Kaizer Chiefs gave Collins Mbesuma who went on to become a fan favourite and scored plenty of goals for Amakhosi. "I think he is a good player," Khan told Kick-Off.



"Kambole is a player that I think scored a lot of goals for his club in Zambia, and I think if given time he will score goals as well. "He just needs to be given time to settle down, he will score goals.

"Under Muhsin (Ertugral) he hardly played (Mbesuma), it's only afterwards when he started making his mark.

"In football when a player moves from one club to another there's what we call an adaptation period, and sometimes the adaptation period is longer for some than others." When the ABSA Premiership resumes, Amakhosi travel to Pretoria for an epic clash against rivals Mamelodi Sundowns on October 27. *TeamTalk Media*

Rhulani not feeling pressure at Pirates

CAPE TOWN - Interim coach Rhulani Mokwena says he does not feel under any extra pressure to turn results around at Orlando Pirates.

Mokwena took over as caretaker coach of the Soweto giants early in the season following the departure of Milutin Sredojevic. However, things have not gone well for the Buccaneers as they sit in eighth position on the league table and have the second-worst defensive record so far. The 34-year-old Mokwena insists though that he and his team are working hard to get things right. Mokwena told reporters: "Pressure, no - it's more passion than anything.

"I think the supporters can see we are giving the best we can and unfortunately when it's your turn and you just have to see yourself through."

Pirates will hope to turn their season around when they play Stellenbosch FC after the international break on 26 October. Mokwena continued: "We have to be brave and we don't feel sorry for ourselves. We just have to be strong and keep going."



NO PRESSURE: Orlando Pirates interim coach Rhulani Mokwena.

Mvala called up to Bafana after Zungu withdraws

JOHANNESBURG - Highlands Park central midfielder Mothobi Mvala has been called up as a late replacement as Bafana Bafana star Bongani Zungu had to withdraw from the squad for Sunday's Nelson Mandela Challenge friendly against Mali.

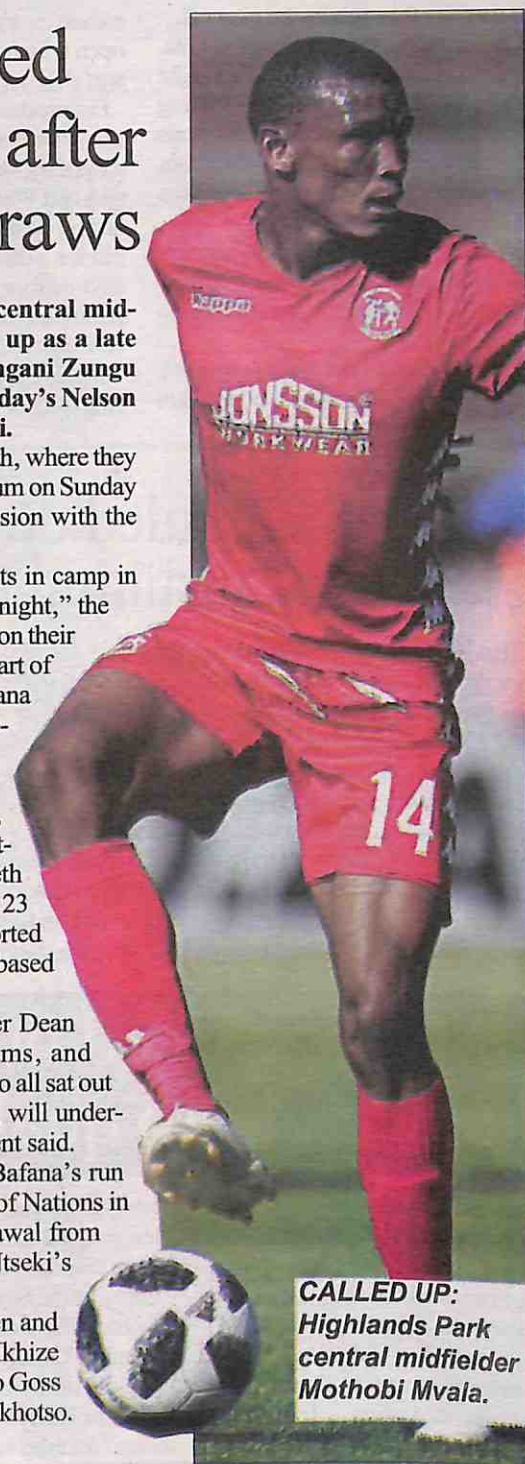
Mvala has joined the squad in Port Elizabeth, where they meet Mali at the Nelson Mandela Bay Stadium on Sunday at 3pm, and was set for a first training session with the national team yesterday afternoon.

"Mvala has already joined his compatriots in camp in Port Elizabeth as he arrived last [Tuesday] night," the SA Football Association said in a statement on their website. "The midfield workhorse will be part of the training squad this afternoon where Bafana Bafana will have a session open to the public - taking place at the Wolfson Stadium in KwaZakhele at 3pm. "[Percy] Tau, who landed in South Africa yesterday morning, was given time off to attend to personal matters and will join the squad in Port Elizabeth this [yesterday] morning - which means all 23 players who have been called up have reported for national team duty, including England-based Kamohelo Mokotjo."

The SuperSport United pair of midfielder Dean Furman and goalkeeper Ronwen Williams, and Strasbourg striker Lebo Mothiba, who all sat out training with niggling injuries on Tuesday, will undergo "medical observation," SAFA's statement said.

Amiens SC midfielder Zungu, a star of Bafana's run to the quarterfinals of the 2019 Africa Cup of Nations in Egypt in July, was the third injury withdrawal from the squad for new Bafana coach Molefi Ntseki's first game in charge.

Bidvest Wits goalkeeper Brandon Petersen and Cape Town City right-back Thamsanqa Mkhize were earlier replaced by Wits keeper Ricardo Goss and Bloemfontein Celtic defender Tshepo Rikhotso. *Sowetan Live*



CALLED UP: Highlands Park central midfielder Mothobi Mvala.



WALES PRIMED TO TOP POOL

TOKYO - Winger Josh Adams scored a sensational hat-trick yesterday as Wales booked a Rugby World Cup quarter-final place with a 29-17 bonus-point win over Fiji, sending Australia through in the process.

In an end-to-end encounter in Oita, Fiji scored two tries in the first eight minutes playing some free-flowing rugby, but the Six Nations champions pegged them back and a Liam Williams try with 12 minutes left buried the Fijians' chances.

The result also guaranteed Australia's progress to the last eight ahead of their final Pool D game against Georgia tomorrow.

But the victory may have come at a high price for Wales with playmaker

...after bruising Fiji battle

Dan Biggar apparently knocked out in an aerial clash with team-mate Liam Williams, and Adams limped off with a knee injury after breaking the game open with his third try when the score was deadlocked 17-17.

Fiji produced a flying start with two tries in a dramatic opening, in which a third try was ruled out by a forward pass and Wales went a man down when hooker Ken Owens was sent to the sin bin for a dangerous tackle. It was the first of four yellow cards as referee Jerome Garces lost patience with repeated fouls.

But as the game wore on the superior quality of the Welsh attack told, and

forward passes cost Fiji two more tries.

Although the final scoreline was probably closer than Wales would have liked, and Fiji wing Semi Radradra was named man of the match, the Welsh did out-score Fiji four tries to three.

Fiji end the tournament with only one win, over Georgia, and if they are to finish third in the pool to automatically qualify for the 2023 World Cup, they will need Wales and Australia to beat Uruguay and Georgia respectively in their final group matches. Fiji rocked Wales from the kick-off to take play up to the shadow of the posts where they won a penalty and opted for a scrum. The ball went wide and Josua Tuisova ran over Adams and Biggar to score. **AFP**

Boks have to improve considerably to win WC

TOKYO - There were 25 fabulous minutes from the Springboks against Canada yesterday.

The Boks played like the world's best team pitted against the world's worst. It was everything you expect when the number one side plays the team at the bottom.

The Boks were magnificent. Everything was done with pace and precision. Everything had a result. The Boks had the bonus point four-tries within 20 minutes. As politically incorrect as this will read, it was like taking candy from a child or clubbing baby seals. It was as awe-inspiring for the Boks as it was awful for Canada.



The four tries were soon 47 points at halftime. The Boks were going at a point a minute and Canada were down to 14 players for the second half minutes.

Canada, hopeless at this World Cup and comfortably the weakest team, had taken 40-plus points from an Italian side that couldn't win a match in the Six Nations. They

didn't score a point against the All Blacks but conceded 63, and against the Boks they rested the core of what they considered their best team so as to have a chance to beat Namibia.

The Boks, like the All Blacks, at the World Cup, had one big Pool game, and that was when the two teams met each other. It asked questions of both teams and answered some questions. The good news for both teams was that it was not a knockout match and there

was still a month to sort out those nagging questions. What has followed for both teams, has been the weirdest of times because no matter what they have done, it

really is all meaningless in the build-up to the knockout stage.

The All Blacks were brilliant for 20 minutes against Canada, woeful for 20 minutes, then sensational for 20 and nowhere for the final 20 minutes. Against Namibia, they were mortal for 30 minutes, magnificent for 30 and indifferent for 20. **Sport24**

Tau tipped for big move

JOHANNESBURG - Former Bafana Bafana head coach Stuart Baxter has backed Percy Tau to move on to one of Europe's top-five leagues.

Baxter worked with Tau in the South Africa national team for two years and witnessed his rapid development since leaving the ABSA Premiership.

Having failed to gain a work-permit to feature in the Premier League with Brighton Hove Albion, who signed the 25-year-old in a reported R50 million transfer from Mamelodi Sundowns - Tau has spent his time on loan in Belgium.

After winning the Proximus Player of the Year with Union St Galloise last season, the diminutive forward moved on the Belgian top-flight title favourites Club Brugge - where he's quickly establishing himself as a key figure. In his 12 games this

season, Tau has directly been involved in eight goals - which includes an assist against Real Madrid in his UEFA Champions League group stage debut.

And Baxter feels this season is imperative for his career as it could set him up to excel in the biggest leagues Europe has to offer. "Once Percy got out [to Europe] the next big part of it was the mental side, that was the next big step, asking yourself if you are good enough for the next level," Baxter tells KickOff.com.

"Am I good enough? Can I do it? Yes, I can! I'm scoring goals.. so his confidence increased and now as he continues to solidify this confidence at Brugge at the same time as he's learning from playing against those better players. "If he has one season, where he keeps his level, his consistency, professionalism and focus then yeah, he can go anywhere." With 34 years of experience in management, the former Kaizer Chiefs boss claims over the years, he's seen less talented players than Tau make a name for themselves at the highest level.

"I watch a lot of football, the other day I watched leagues in seven different countries and I looked at some of those players. And I thought to myself, how is this player better than Percy Tau? **Kick-Off**

Dembele ruled out of Clasico for insulting referee

JOHANNESBURG - Barcelona forward Ousmane Dembele will miss the La Liga 'Clasico' against Real Madrid after the Spanish football federation said he is to be suspended for two games for verbally abusing a referee.

Dembele was shown a straight red card towards the end of Barca's 4-0 win over Sevilla on Sunday, with referee Antonio Mateu Lahoz

stating in his report that the French player gesticulated towards him and said "you're very bad".

The forward, who had been named in the starting line-up against Sevilla ahead of 120-million-euro (\$131.78 million) forward Antoine Griezmann, will miss Barca's next league game at Eibar on October 19 and the home clash with La Liga leaders Real on October 26. **Reuters**

Messi wanted to leave Barca

BARCELONA - Barcelona captain Lionel Messi has said he considered leaving the club when was investigated for tax fraud in 2013, saying he felt "badly treated" by Spain.

Messi, who has been at Barcelona since he was 13 and is their all-time top scorer, was found guilty in 2016 along with his father Jorge of defrauding the Spanish government of 4.2 million euros (\$4.61 million) between 2007 and 2009 over income

earned from image rights.

The Argentina international was handed a prison sentence of 21 months and ordered to pay a fine of 2 million euros. He did not serve any jail time after exchanging his sentence for a fine of 250 000 euros, as in Spain defendants without a previous conviction are permitted to serve any sentence of under two years on probation.

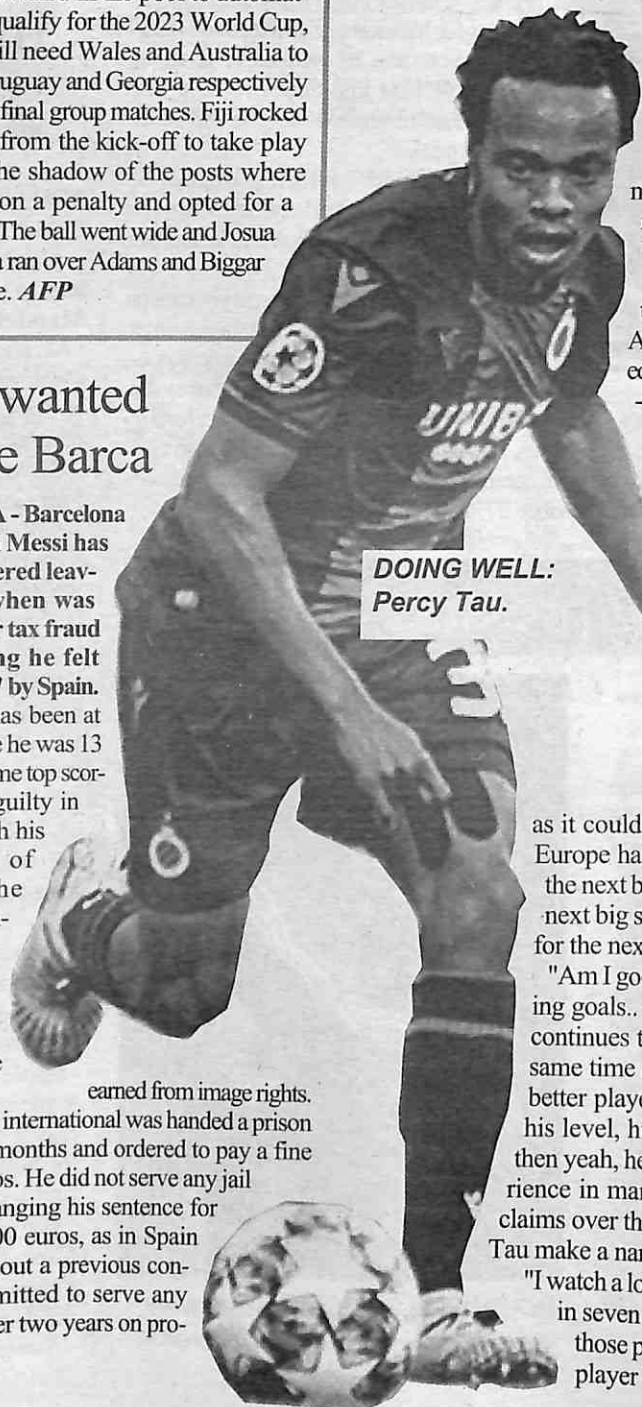
Reuters

Mbappe ruled out of France's Euro qualifiers

PARIS - France striker Kylian Mbappe has been ruled out of their Euro 2020 qualifiers against Iceland and Turkey through injury, the French football federation said on Tuesday.

Paris St Germain's Mbappe, who has been struggling with a recurring thigh problem, has been replaced in the squad by Borussia

Moenchengladbach forward Alassane Plea. France travel to Iceland in Group H tomorrow before hosting Turkey at the Stade de France on Monday. The world champions are second in Group H on 15 points, behind Turkey by virtue of their defeat in Konya last June, while Iceland are third with 12 points after six matches. **Reuters**





SHUKUMA



ESWATINI



Shu...Shu...Shukuma Eswatini!
Greetings and welcome to yet another edition of your favourite read, Shukuma Eswatini.

Following the resounding success of the annual Imbube Marathon, we at the Eswatini Sport and Recreation Council (ESRC) are at a loss for words in trying to express our appreciation and gratitude to a person of no less stature than His Majesty King Mswati III.

As an organisation that propagates the gospel of healthy living, we couldn't be prouder than to see His Majesty leading by example.

It is our mission to develop and regulate all sport and recreation activities in the kingdom through quality sport and recreation programmes and of course facilitating maximum access to resources and opportunities for our citizens.

The king clearly stunned most if not all of the people in attendance when he easily breezed through the taxing aerobics session, which was conducted shortly after the race. A true fitness fanatic, he sweated it out alongside the Deputy Prime Minister Themba Masuku, Cabinet ministers, David 'Cruiser' Ngcamphalala and Harries 'Madze' Bulunga. Others, who braved the extreme heat on the day included the Emakhosikati, La Mahlangu and LaMatsebula alongside Princes Sicalo and Lindani and

KING SETS THE PERFECT EXAMPLE

...His Majesty braved the extreme heat to sweat it out in front of everyone

Her Royal Highness Princess Sikhanyiso.

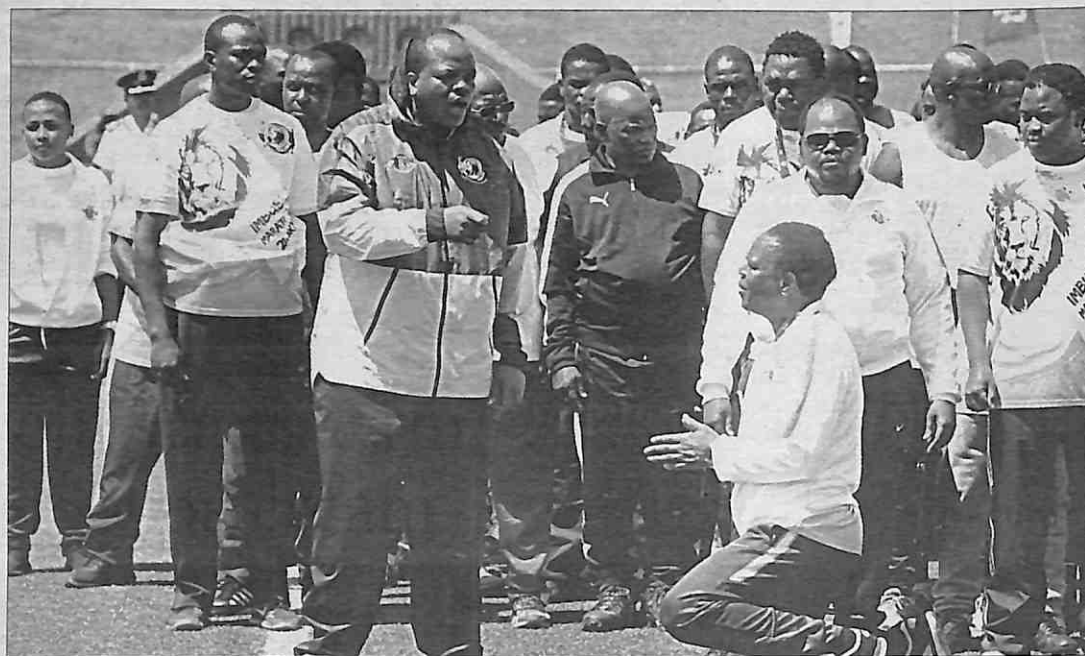
We were awed by His Majesty's fitness and were left stunned by his reaction, as he never missed a step.

Our flagship mass participation programme, Shukuma Eswatini, primarily advocates and promotes participation in sport and physical activity by all locals for health and other intrinsic benefits.

Thrilled

That is why it thrilled the soul to see the king leading by example for all his subjects to see how crucial it is to lead active lifestyles.

For dedicating his time and turning a blind eye on other pressing state matters in favour of exercising with his subjects, we can only say Bayethe Wena Waphakathi! Uyimbube Uyingwenyama udle emathole ezinyathi! Mswati ngitjele umuntfu lokwalako ngitovuna insimi yakhe netinga-ba tayo! Bayethe! Awucedvwa



BAYETHE: His Majesty King Mswati III issuing instructions to Prince Lonkhokhela.

Foreigner dominance must be a wakeup call

IT is now history that the South African runner, Bonginkhosi Mavuso was crowned 'King of the Road' after winning the 42 km race during the annual Imbube Marathon the past Sunday.

In fact, all the major categories were won by our visiting friends as Kenyan, Jennifer Koech won the ladies category of the 42km race with an impressive time of 2:59:54. Mavuso crossed the finishing line in a time of 2:28:58. Both winners smiled all the way to the bank with E30 000 each.

The first local athlete to cross the finishing line in the 42km race was UEDF star athlete Amos Thwala with a time of 2:35:16.

The 21km race was won by Sibusiso Nzima with a time of 1:09:04, while another visiting athlete, Rudo Mhonderwa outshone a field of over 1000 runners to win the ladies category.

The dominance by our foreign visitors should act as a wakeup call for the local athletes, who were outclassed in their own backyard.

We cannot have visiting athletes come here and brag when we know for a fact that we have so many talented runners, who are capable of hoisting the country's flag.

It is even worse in our case because we have the head of state, presenting the winners with their prizes. It is embarrassing really and hopefully next year our athletes will come to the party. It is supposed to be their



FIRST PRIZE: His Majesty King Mswati III presents a E30 000 cheque and a trophy to Bonginkhosi Mavuso from Nedbank SA and Jennifer Koech from Nedbank Kenya after they both came first (male and female) in the Imbube Marathon.

own party for crying out loud!

OUR MAIN PROGRAMMES SHUKUMA ESWATINI

Flagship mass participation programme primarily advocating and promoting participation in sport and physical activity by all locals for health benefits and other intrinsic benefits.

DISABILITY SPORT

This programme is a repertoire of activities designed for people living

with a disability.

The programme primarily seeks to create opportunities that will increase the participation and involvement of people living with a disability in sport and physical activity.

GENDER EQUITY

This one seeks to foster operations that equitably allocate resources, programmes and decision-making opportunities across all gender groups.

SEAS

The Sport Education and Accreditation System seeks to establish a National Framework with common reference points and levels of competency for the training and accreditation of all sports practitioners in the country, aligned to the African Union Sports Council Region 5 Framework.

PPP

The Podium Performance Programme (PPP) is the High Performance

Programme of the ESRC in collaboration with EOCGA.

It seeks to create an environment and programmes that will enhance high level performance by local athletes.

ESWATINI NATIONAL SPORTS AWARDS

The Eswatini National Sports Awards are the ultimate reward programme of sport in Eswatini. The Awards seek to recognise and motivate excellence in sport participation by all sports practitioners.

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Your commitment, effort and work must come first. The success, rewards and satisfaction will follow. It is what you bring to your job that is important. It is not what your job gives you."

— John Wooden



WELCOME TO THE BULL'S KRAAL

WITH BHLKIS'SA DLAMINI

LIFE laughs at you when you are unhappy, life smiles at you when you are happy and life salutes you when you make others happy, good morning *BoMagebhula*.

Experience has taught me that every morning has a new beginning, a new blessing and a new hope for us all. Let us, therefore, realise that this day is a precious gift from God for us to live it happily. We do not have to let our day to be stolen by the unchangeable past or the infinite future.

BoMagebhula it is always a challenge to get the right combination of words to motivate players when the going seems to be against the tide.

In life, however, we need to overcome such challenges in order to achieve our desired end in mind. *BoMagebhula* we need to be mindful that success comes in a lot of ways, but it doesn't come with money or fame.

It comes from having a meaning in your life, doing what you love and being passionate about what you do. Success is when you have the ability to do what you love, love what you do and have the ability to impact other people. For us to successfully overcome such challenges, we need to understand our roles within the team structure and do our different tasks with love.

In such situations, we need to avoid being pressured by current circumstances. Actually, pressure is something you feel when you don't know what the hell you're doing.

BoMagebhula, I personally believe that the team knows exactly what it is doing, unfortunately the results are not yet convincing enough for now. If we can all believe on what we are doing, the mind can achieve it.

Highlanders' family we need to understand that football is like life, it requires perseverance, self-denial, hard work, sacrifice, dedication and respect for authority. Personally, I believe it is the perfect time for us to display the above to all football fanatics as we



LET US RE-IGNITE WINNING MENTALITY

continue to build a strong *S'gebhu* going forward.

WELCOME BACK HOME 'KOKI'

BoMaghebhula, let us welcome our coach Thabo 'Koki' Vilakati back home.

He is our son, who moved out of home to acquire added knowledge and experience elsewhere and is now back home to help us build a strong team to challenge for the championship.

I urge our coach not be disturbed by the media reports following the two defeats we have registered since re-joining us. The important thing for us it's not whether we get knocked down, but it's how quickly we get UP and move on. As a team, we need to be patient with our new coach and he

desperately needs our support for a quick turnaround.

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR AND COACHING POSTS

We need to clarify our stand-point regarding the ongoing misconception on the above mentioned positions within the team.

BoMagebhula, there is no change on what the director said when unveiling our new coach ('Koki') at Royal Swazi Spa Hotel two weeks ago.

Zenzele 'Ace' Dlamini has moved back to his initial position (Technical Director) and 'Koki' is our new head coach. It is a fact that our Technical Director has not yet been with the team after the changes but this is the official position regarding this issue at this point in time.

TECHNICAL TEAM AND PLAYERS

I strongly believe that every person within the team has the fire and true champions know when to ignite the spark.

We recently won the Charity Cup and the team scooped all the awards, however, our recent run on league games is not good enough. We need to re-ignite the spark once again as technical team and players to bring joy to Highlanders family.

BoMagebhula, losing these few games should not make us want to

quit our ambitions to win the league this season but it should make us want to fight much harder.

Today we need to do what others won't, so that tomorrow we can accomplish what others can't. If we want to win, let's do the ordinary things better than anyone else does them day in and out.

BoMagebhula, we are not failures until we start blaming someone else about our

current performance results.

know that you are patiently waiting for the team to start delivering positive results consistently.

Our up-coming game against Malanti Chiefs, the team will once again rely on your powerful motivational strength whenever they play, please do come in your numbers.

We are looking forward to collect maximum points for this upcoming game.

Gwaza Nlanzi!!!

SUPPORTERS' CORNER

BoMagebhula, the way you have conducted yourselves in our past games is highly commendable. The team is undergoing challenges but you have displayed your love for all people to see.

BoMagebhula, please note that our journey will be much lighter and easier if we don't carry our past with us. We need to stay focused towards our end in mind as we journey along this unpredictable road.

In a football match, everything is complicated by the presence of the other team(s) in many ways but you always prove that you are equal to the task.

This is commendable and we

DIRECTOR: Zenzele 'Ace' Dlamini.

WELCOME: Mbabane Highlanders coach Thabo 'Koki' Vilakati.

ESRIC DARTS LEAGUE PRIZE PRESENTATION



THE BEST: Minister of Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs Harries 'Madze' Bulunga presents the 2018/19 Eswatini Royal Insurance Corporation Darts league champions Malkerns Darts Club with their trophy as received by their Director Jay Hall while Eswatini National Sport and Recreation Council CEO Darius Dlomo looks on. This was during the prize presentation ceremony held at The George Hotel yesterday. (Pics: Sibusiso Masilela)



YOU DID IT: The league's third best and the oldest player Friday Mncina receiving his prize from Ngcobo.



THANK YOU: Best female player Thobile Gamedze accepting her prize from ESRIC Assistant General Manager Mandla Dlamini.



WELL DONE: The best junior player Andzile Matsebula from Umlilo Darts Club being congratulated by Eswatini Olympics and Commonwealth Games Association CEO Sidney Simelane.



VETERANS: Darts veterans Jay Hall, Musa Manyatsi and Michael 'Scara' Gama following proceedings.



IT'S YOURS: Eswatini National Darts Association Secretary Sibusiso Baartjies presenting a darts board to the Minister of Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs Harries 'Madze' Bulunga while ESRIC General Manager Zama Ngcobo assists him.



TOPS: 2018/19 ESRIC best player Simon Maseko accepting his prize from the sponsor's General Manager Zama Ngcobo.



DIGNITARIES: Dignitaries Minister Bulunga, Ngcobo, Mandla Dlamini, ESRIC Marketing Manager Sizwe Shongwe and ENDA Secretary Sibusiso Baartjies following proceedings.



PRESENT: Umlilo Darts Club members were also present.

FOOTBALL TALK

All your latest WORLD FOOTBALL news

● Manchester United are considering moves for West Ham and England midfielder Declan Rice, 20, and Napoli and Senegal defender Kalidou Koulibaly, 28, regardless of boss Ole Gunnar Solskjaer's future. (*Goal*)

● Manchester United remain committed to giving Solskjaer more time to turn around the club's fortunes, despite their worst start to a season for 30 years. (*Telegraph*)



● Tottenham boss Mauricio Pochettino is planning to sell English midfielder Eric Dier, 25, 27-year-old Danish midfielder Christian Eriksen, Ivorian defender Serge Aurier, 26, Kenyan midfielder Victor Wanyama, 28, and 29-year-old English defender Danny Rose in January after his side's poor start to the season. (*Times - subscription required*)

● Jose Mourinho is monitoring the situation at Tottenham as he looks for a route back into management after being sacked by Manchester United in 2019. (*Mail*)

● Tottenham and England midfielder Dele Alli, 23, has hired his own nutritionist to try to prevent muscle injuries after damaging his hamstring four times in the last 18 months. (*Mirror*)

● Manchester City boss Pep Guardiola says he will 'step aside' if things don't go to plan with champions eight points behind Liverpool in the Premier League title race. (*Sun*)

● David Moyes is open to a return to former club Everton, with manager Marco Silva under increasing pressure after dropping into the relegation zone. (*Mirror*)

● Crystal Palace will have to pay £22m to sign 26-year-old Chelsea and Belgium striker Michy Batshuayi, who spent the second half of last season on loan at Selhurst Park. (*Express*)

● Arsenal midfielder Dani Ceballos, 23, says he made the right decision to join the Gunners on loan from Real Madrid after regaining his place in the Spain squad. (*Goal*)

● Former Sunderland striker Kevin Phillips wants to take over at the Stadium of Light after the sacking of Jack Ross. (*Star*)

● However, former Barnsley boss Daniel Stendel could be in line to replace Ross in the north-east of England. (*Sun*)

● Borussia Dortmund have joined Arsenal, Juventus and Paris St-Germain in tracking 16-year-old Celtic winger Karamoko Dembele. (*Bild - in German*)

● Argentina forward Paulo Dybala, 25, says he never wanted to leave Juventus this summer despite being linked with moves to Manchester United and Tottenham. (*Tuttosport - in Italian*)



● Former England manager Sam Allardyce says it is possible that Manchester United could be relegated from the Premier League this season. (*Talksport*)

E11 000 for Hhohho Regional Pool knockout

BY COLISILE SACOLO

POOL - THE exhilarating E10 000 Hhohho Regional Pool Association tournament will kickoff this weekend with exciting fixtures at different venues.

The tournament whose champions will walk home with a staggering E4 000 is competed by teams under the Mbabane Regional Pool League.

KNOCKOUT

The games will start with a group format, this with the first two group matches to be played on Saturday and Sunday before the knockout round that will see the top two teams from the four groups qualify. This was confirmed by Hhohho Regional Pool Association Secretary General Killer Zulu.

The weekend games will see City Inn take on Singapore Stars at Singapore while Bashwaphanisi will play against Funtown at Game room.

Other games will see The Garage clash with Maduma

PRIZE BREAK DOWN;

Winners - E 4 000
Runners-up - E3 000
Third prize - E2 000
Fourth Prize - E1 000
Individual prizes:
1. Best players - E 500 + a trophy
2. Second best - E300
3. Third best - E200
4. Top goal scorer - E300
Group A
City Inn
Singapore stars
Bashwaphanisi
Mdzangwini

Group B
Maduma
The Garage
Gingers
Martins
Group C
Singapore II
Malagwane
Singas
Fontein
Group D
ClueBall Master
Singapore
Mini-Bar
Ka - Mchoza

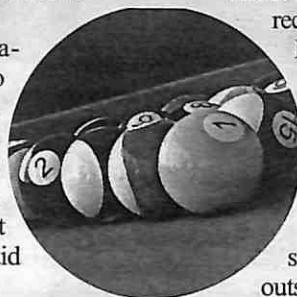
at 2pm at The Garage Bar with Martin's having a date with Ginger's at Martin's Bar.

"The tournament will also continue on Sunday where a total of eight teams will be playing against each other," said Zulu.

He said the association has sponsored the tournament to a tune of E11 000. The winners of the tournament will

get E4 000 with the runners-up getting E3 000 while third and fourth finishers will receive E2 000 and E1 000, respectively.

Zulu said there would also be individual prizes to promote offensive pool where outstanding players would be awarded. He also invited pool fans to come in their numbers to support their favourite teams.



ECF HAPPY WITH WOMEN'S RAPID AND BLITZ CHALLENGE TURNOUT

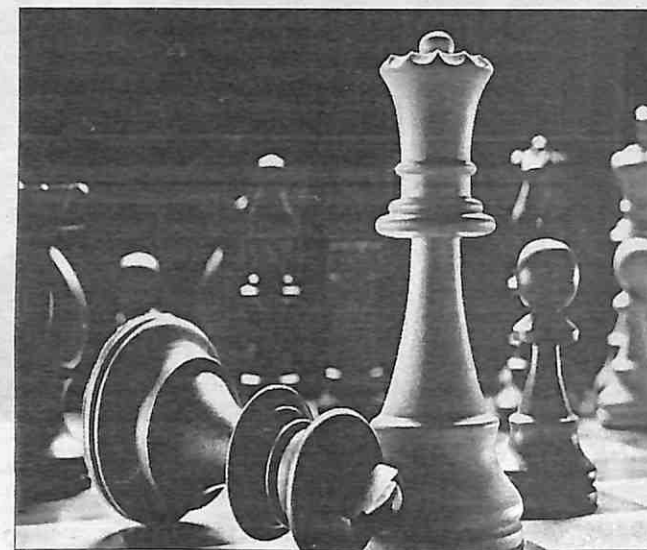
BY JONGILE XUBA

CHESS - THE Eswatini Chess Federation (ECF) is happy with the number of participants, who showed up for the Woman's Rapid and Blitz Tournament held at Free Evangelical Assemblies (FEA) in Manzini.

ECF President Dumisani Msibi said the tournament was in celebration of the breast cancer month. He also thanked the sponsors and all the participants, who attended the competition. "The event was a huge success, judging from the turnout. We would like to thank our sponsors Afro Botanic who sponsored us with prizes to the value of E5 000. The participants also deserve to be applauded for making the tournament a success," he said.

He added that the tournament was still part of their 'Chess for All' initiative which was doing well.

"The initiative still continues and will culminate with an event involving games and chess lessons for all, especially people with disabilities, the bed ridden, inmates and people from all ages and gender. Today's tournament is part of that initiative and we are happy with



the progress," he said.

Afro Botanic's Sindi Khathwane Ntombini said they were very happy to support an initiative that focused on the girl child.

"It is encouraging to see youngsters participating in a sport such as chess. This is one of the sports that can act as a gateway to a whole new world and we urge the girls to continue playing."

Temahlubi Dlamini won the competition, taking home a gold medal after scoring nine points overall. She was followed by Nolwazi Nkwanyane with eight points whilst Singobile Dlamini finished third on seven

WOMAN'S RAPID AND BLITZ TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Name	Points
1. Temahlubi Dlamini	9 points
2. Nolwazi Nkwanyane	8 points
3. Singobile Dlamini	7 points
4. Nokhula Mkhonta	6.5 pts
5. Tawana Manomano	6 points
6. Nolwazi Buthelezi	5 points
7. Mandisa Sedibe	5 points
8. Andziso Hlophe	5 points
9. Akila Bhakubhai	5 points
10. Simphiwe Ndlovu	5 points
11. Thobile Mthethwa	5 points
12. Sinenkhosi Khumalo	4.5 pts
13. Anmol Ahmed	4 points
14. Nosipho Dlamini	4 points
15. Siphumelele Shabangu	3.5 pts
16. Mbalenhle Dlamini	3 points
17. Asifa Bhagubhai	2.5 pts
18. Namisa Kuhlase	2 points

points. Apart from medals, the winners received hampers which included hair conditioner, twist and define cream.

Zumba classes for breast Cancer awareness

BY SETSABILE NKAMBULE

SPORTS - COME and let's do some Zumba!

In a bid to raise awareness for breast cancer and celebrate the breast cancer month, members of the public are invited to a Zumba class at the Coronation Park.

This was confirmed by Sifiso Phakathi, who said everyone was invited and encouraged to attend the exciting Zumba class.

Phakathi said they decided to do what they knew best which was dancing as a form of exercise and to celebrate the Breast Cancer month.

He said attendees should wear the colour pink which is used for breast cancer awareness.

Phakathi said Zumba exercising was very important for good health for everyone including people, who were suffering from breast cancer.

Exciting

"Zumba classes will add more fitness value as it is a very enjoyable exercise.

When doing Zumba you sweat and get fit while dancing. It's also about having fun as it is the most exciting way of refreshing and distressing.

Zumba is one form of exercise that brings love and peace as it also brings people together," he said

He said he was hoping more people would join the Zumba fitness class as it would be great help in maintaining a healthy and fit nation.

"We are already looking forward to a great day and I can promise all those who will attend that they will have a great and wonderful experience," he said.

Zumba Fitness is a Latin-inspired cardio-dance workout that uses music and choreographed steps to form a fitness party atmosphere.



CONFIRMED: Sifiso Phakathi.

BLACK SWALLOWS PLAYER ARRESTED

BY MELUSI MLOTSA

SOCCER - PIGG'S Peak Black Swallows player Jonathan Bafoe has been arrested and charged with contravening the SODV Act after he was caught kissing a minor.

Information gathered is to the effect that the player was arrested on Tuesday morning by the Pigg's Peak police. A source close to the matter revealed that the minor was aged 17 and schooling at Pigg's Peak High School.

The source added that Bafoe and the minor were said to be an item.

According to the Sexual Offences and Domestic Violence Act of 2018, a person who maintains a sexual relationship with a child commits an offence and shall on conviction, be liable to a term of imprisonment. However, the presiding officer shall be satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that the evidence establishes that a sexual relationship existed. It was gathered that the pupil's picture was seen on Facebook where she was allegedly seen kissing the player. One of the pupils at the school alerted the teachers, who acted swiftly by reporting the matter to Pigg's Peak Police Station.

"Bafoe was arrested on Tuesday morning after teachers reported the matter to the police station. The team's authorities were still trying to negotiate for his release and I am not sure if he eventually got bail," said the source.

Chief Police Information and Communications Officer Superintendent Phindile Vilakati confirmed the matter.

She said the player had already appeared before court where he was charged with contravening the SODV Act. "I can confirm the matter you are asking me about and that the player appeared in court yesterday," she said.



CREME DE LA CREME: The best male player Simon Maseko, best female Thobile Gamedze and best junior Andzile Matsebula displaying their medals after the presentation ceremony. (Pics: Sibusiso Masilela)

First timers at Inyatsi Swazi Frontier

BY COLISILE SACOLO

CYCLING - MOST of the riders in the mixed category are first timers.

Mixed teams consist of one male and one female rider.

Interestingly, many of the mixed teams are also husband and wife combinations. Clearly, mountain biking is an enjoyable experience to share with your spouse. It also ensures that you stay fit and healthy together.

Maureen and Steven Enderby have endured two days of travelling all the way from Sri Lanka to experience the legendary Inyatsi Swazi Frontier. They used to live in Eswatini some 20 years ago and are excited to see how it has developed since that time. The Enderbys are very strong and experienced mountain bikers

who have done some of the most tough mountain bike races in the world. With their combined experience, they could definitely make their mark on Inyatsi Swazi Frontier.

Another husband and wife team, Brandon and Inge Zietsman from South Africa are also strong contenders for the overall honours.

Stage

They too have plenty of stage race experience and are super-fit and motivated to take the trophy.

Kristien Velding and Sandor Klis, originally from the Netherlands, are a strong duo and most definitely could be on target for bagging the prizes.

Locally, International Tool Hire's Lean Drinkwater and Ralitz Dekov have teamed up and have been training hard on the local hills around Mbabane. They are

looking forward to exploring more of Eswatini's beautiful countryside, especially the sections of the route through Malolotja Nature Reserve.

Inyatsi Construction's Mandisa Matsebula and Edwin Mbingo have also been training hard with their Inyatsi Cycling Club counterparts. The six teams from Inyatsi Construction have been focussed on improving their mountain bike technical skills and have enjoyed getting to know each other better through their shared mountain bike experiences.

The strongest contenders in the ladies category at this year's Inyatsi Swazi Frontier are probably the experienced riding duo of Bonny Swanepoel and Claudia Slattery. These two women are super strong and very competitive. Swanepoel is a mountain bike skills instructor so is very at ease on the technical terrain.

MALKERNS DARTS CLUB BIG WINNERS

STORIES BY SIBUSISO MASILELA

DARTS - ESWATINI Royal Insurance Corporation 2018/19 Darts League champions Malkerns Darts Club dominated the league prize presentation held yesterday at The George Hotel.

The inaugural champions produced the league's best player in Simon Maseko and the third best player in seasoned player Friday Mncina.

The club further took home E10 000 for being the champions of the 15-year-old Darts League competition.

Speaking after receiving their prize, the club's Director Jay Hall attributed their success to the late former Eswatini National Darts Association President Hamilton 'Waga Waga' Nxumalo.

"We are happy to have won the league and we would like to thank the late 'Waga Waga' Nxumalo for his assistance towards establishment of our club four years ago. He is the

one who introduced me to the sport and we will forever cherish his contribution to the club and the sport.

"We will continue working hard towards the development of the sport in the country," he said.

Meanwhile, the league's best player Simon Maseko attributed their success to unity within the sport.

"I am very happy we have won the league which was achieved through unity and hard work within the team. I would like to thank my teammates for working hard during the past season. I promise to continue working hard," he said.

Other individual winners included the 17-year-old Andzile Matsebula from Umililo Darts Club, who won the youngest player of the year award and Thobile Gamedze from Correctional, who was the best female player of the year.

The runners-up and third place finishers Correctional and Kilowatts A took home E8 000 and E7 000, respectively, for their efforts.

BY MELUSI MLOTSA

TAEKWONDO - ESWATINI has been awarded hosting rights for the Confederation of Southern African Taekwondo Games (COSATA).

Mozambique, South Africa, Malawi, Angola, Zambia, Tanzania and Botswana, among others, are expected for the regional showpiece. Eswatini Taekwondo Federation vice President Sizwe Mabuza said the games would be held on December 7.

He said the games were likely to be staged at Bosco Skills Centre or UNESWA Sports Emporium.

Mabuza added that preparations were at an advanced stage as they were expecting all the SADC countries to participate. "If you remember very well, the last COSATA Games were held in 2011 in Mozambique. We are honoured as a country to host the games after eight years of absence.

Recognised

This shows that we are being recognised on the international scene. We are expecting the whole of SADC countries to participate in the games. Match officials from the Regional Five will also be in attendance," he said. Mabuza further said that the aim of the regional games was to promote the sport in the SADC region. He added that Eswatini would assemble a strong squad to compete in December.

Eswatini to host COSATA Games

BELOW ARE SOME OF THE WINNERS:

Gabsile Sibisi	-	Gold (poomsae)
Delisile Dlamini	-	Silver (poomsae)
Bongiwe Salelwako	-	Bronze (poomsae)
Wandile Maziya	-	Gold (kyorugi)
Sizwe Mabuza	-	Bronze (poomsae)
Tebenguni	-	Gold (kyorugi) and silver
Samkeliso Manyatsi	-	Bronze (kyorugi) and silver poomsae
Mncobi Manyathela	-	Silver (poomsae)
Bongumusa Mkhwatshwa	-	Gold (poomsae) and silver (kyorugi)
Hlelo Vilakati	-	Gold (kyorugi) and bronze (poomsae)
Vellie Gwebu	-	Gold (kyorugi) and bronze (poomsae)



Meanwhile, Eswatini Taekwondo Federation (ETF) won the second Taekwondo Championships held in

Pretoria over the weekend. The local team brought home 16 gold medals, 11 silver and 11 bronze medals.

ENDA honours ESRIC, Minister 'Madze' for supporting darts

DARTS - THE Eswatini National Darts Association has honoured the Eswatini Royal Insurance Corporation and the Minister of Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs Harries 'Madze' Bulunga for their contribution towards the development of the sport in the country.

The local darts entity showered Minister Bulunga with a darts board and further handed the sponsor (ESRIC) with a trophy for their commitment towards the sport.

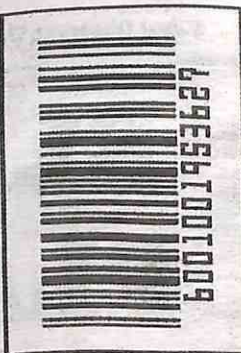
ENDA Secretary Sibusiso Baartjies, who represented President Bhekinkhanyane, thanked the sponsor and the minis-

ter for their efforts towards the improvement of the sport. "We are very grateful to the support which has been shown by the minister and ESRIC who have been with us for the past 15 years. Their contribution has played an immense

role in the massive growth of darts in the country," he said.



HONOURED: Minister of Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs Harries 'Madze' Bulunga delivering his speech.



Buffaloes edge Bogandaganda

MELUSI MLOTSA

Mhlume Peacemakers (1)1
Young Buffaloes (2)2

SOCCER - ARMY side Young Buffaloes beat Mhlume Peacemakers 2-1 during an MTN Premier League match played last night at Mayaluka Stadium last night.

The Dominic Kunene boys made their intention clear as early as five minutes when Sandile 'Saviola' Gamedze rattled the roof of the net from a tight angle. This was after a good move from Fanelo 'Order' Mamba.

Phiwa Dlamini nearly scored his team's second goal in the 14th minute after a good move by Fanelo but the striker missed the target by few inches. Mhlume Peacemakers' Banele Ndzabandzaba failed to capitalise on a Wandile 'Skosh' back pass in the 20th minute, shooting straight to the hands of goalkeeper Nhlanhla Gwebu.

Mhlume Peacemakers goalkeeper Nkosenhle Dlamini made a great save, denying Phiwa Dlamini in the 24th minute.

Attacking

'Buffis' scored the second goal in the 30th minute via the boot of Ali Matse with an innocuous shot from 35 yards that caught the keeper off guard. 'Bogandaganda' pulled one back in the 36th minute through Banele Ndzabandzaba, who beat Nhlanhla Gwebu with a hard shot from the edge of the box.

The first half ended 2-1 in favour of Buffaloes. The second half saw both sides attacking in numbers but it was the army side that showed more determination. 'Saviola's' shot was blocked for a fruitless corner kick in the 51st minute. Young Buffaloes coach Dominic Kunene brought in Ndoda Mthethwa for Phiwa Dlamini while Peacemakers introduced Shaka Nkwanyana for Gcina Mkhabela.

The changes did not yield any fruitful results as the teams failed to find the back of the net.

Peacemakers' second goal by Sibongiseni Ndzimandze was ruled off side by Theminkosi Dlamini towards the end of the match. Soon after that the referee blew the final whistle, much to the joy of the army side.

Teams:

Mhlume Peacemakers - Nkosenhle, Ntokozo, Neliswa, Sihawu, Dino, Siboniso, Bandile, Gcina, Mancoba, Siboniso, Banele

Buffaloes - Nhlanhla, Lindo, Wandile, Sihlangu, Siboniso, Dumsane, Ali, Fanelo, Phiwa, Sandile, Wandile

MTN Premier League log:

Team	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1. Mbabane Swallows	7	5	1	0	17	2	15	19
2. Royal Leopard	6	6	0	0	12	3	9	18
3. Young Buffaloes	5	5	0	0	12	1	11	15
4. Green Mamba	7	3	2	2	12	4	8	11
5. Mweni Pirates	7	3	2	2	12	8	4	11
6. Mbabane Highlanders	7	2	3	2	5	5	0	9
7. Tambuti	7	2	3	2	9	16	-7	9
8. Manzini Wanderers	7	2	2	3	10	13	-3	8
9. Mhlume Peacemakers	7	2	1	4	8	10	-2	7
10. Black Swallows	7	2	1	4	9	14	-5	7
11. Sea Birds	6	2	1	3	6	10	-4	7
12. Denver Sundowns	7	1	2	4	7	12	-5	5
13. Malanti Chiefs	7	1	0	6	2	12	-10	3
14. Milling Hotspurs	7	0	2	5	3	13	-10	2

In a rather bizarre occurrence...

EX-BULL STAR

ARRESTED



BY MELUSI MLOTSA

SOCCER - FORMER Mbabane Highlanders and Sihlangu left back Bongani 'Ndezi' Masangane has been arrested for possession of 5kg dagga after storming into the police station.

Information gathered is to the effect that the former defender was arrested on Monday at the Manzini Police Station. A source close to the matter revealed that 'Ndezi' surprised many when he stormed into the Manzini Police Station, carrying 5kg of dagga and demanded a trading licence from the police officers who were on duty.

... This is after he stormed into the police station

It has been learnt that the officers told Masangane to leave the dagga at the police station and go home but he did not take kindly to that.

The former player is said to have refused to obey the order and demanded money from the officers if they forced him to leave his consignment behind, hence he was arrested.

'Ndezi' was arrested on Monday for possession of dagga after he went to ask for a trading licence while carrying the 5kg dagga.

I am not sure what prompted him to storm into the police station carrying the consignment

without a licence. But from what I heard, he demanded paper work for his consignment and told the officers on duty to seek for him the licence from the magistrate. He ended up being arrested after he failed to take orders from the officers.

Arrested

"It's not like he was nabbed for dagga possession but he went to the police station carrying the dagga. I know you may say it's unheard off but it happened and that is how he ended up being arrested," said the source.

Chief Police Information and Communications Officer

Superintendent Phindile Vilakati confirmed the matter when contacted yesterday morning.

"Yes, it is true that 'Ndezi' Masangane was arrested by the Manzini police on Monday for possession of dagga. However, I am not sure if he has already appeared before court," she said.

Masangane played for Mbabane Highlanders in the early 2000 before he was lured by ABSA Premiership side Black Leopards to their camp.

This was after his sterling performance in the COSAFA Cup Castle against Zimbabwe where he was praised for stopping the highly rated Peter Ndlovu on the left back with his timely tackles.

ESRIC pumps in E120 000 for 2019/20 darts season

BY SIBUSISO MASILELA

DARTS - THE Eswatini Royal Insurance Corporation has continued to show its commitment towards the growth of darts in the country after pumping in E120 000 for the 2019/2020 league season.

The new package has seen an increment of E20 000 from last season's sponsorship package of E100 000.

ESRIC General Manager Zama Ngcobo said they were happy with their 'marriage' with the Eswatini National Darts Association during the past season's prize presentation held at The George Hotel yesterday. "We are very happy with our partnership with the darts association which started in 2004 and has continued to grow over the years. We are quite pleased to announce a new league sponsorship of E120 000 and we will continue assisting in improving the sport in the country," he said.

Ngcobo further paid tribute to the late former President Hamilton 'Waga Waga' Nxumalo for his contribution in the sport.

"The sport has continued to grow



SPONSORSHIP: Minister of Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs Harries 'Madze' Bulunga presents a trophy to 2018/19 Eswatini Royal Insurance Corporation Darts League Champions Malkerns Darts Club Director Jay Hall while Eswatini National Sport and Recreation Council CEO Darius Dlomo with other dignitaries look on.

over the years and this is through the effort and hard work by the likes of the late 'Waga Waga' Nxumalo. The late Nxumalo is one of the pioneers of the sport whom we started the partnership with. We are looking forward to a fruitful season this year," he further said.

Ngcobo then congratulated the reigning champions Malkerns Darts Club for their achievement.

Meanwhile, Minister of Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs Harries

'Madze' Bulunga lauded the healthy marriage between the sponsor and the local darts association (ENDA).

"We are quite happy with the immense growth of the sport in the country which is a result of the good partnership between ESRIC and ENDA. We further thank ESRIC for their efforts towards the development of the sport in the county as they have been with the sport for many years.

"We further commend the good

work by the darts association which includes the introduction of the sport in schools. This shows that the executive has a clear vision which we fully support as government as we encourage sporting associations in the country to have clear visions," he said.

Eswatini National Sport and Recreation Council Chief Executive Officer Darius Dlomo also commended ENDA for exercising transparency in its operations.