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## PRIORITY 5: SPATIAL INTEGRATION, HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

### Thusong Service Centre outreach targets villagers

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Nomvana Nyaba from the IEC registering Ward 18 community members.



Officials from the Department of Employment and Labour registering community members on their database for employment opportunities.

The Government Communication and Information System hosted the Thusong Service Centre programme services on wheels outreach at Qunu Thusong Service Centre, in Qunu near Mthatha, on 22 September 2022.

The outreach included stakeholders such as the Department of Employment and Labour and the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC), who provided services to the people of Ward 18, King Sabata Dalindyebo Local Municipality.

The Department of Employment and Labour registered more than 100 unemployed youth in their database to access employment and skills development opportunities, while the IEC registered community members on the voters' roll and resolved cases of people who did not appear in the voters' roll.

"I came here to register to the Department of Employment and Labour database and register on the voters' roll, and I did all of that. I am very grateful for this programme as it helped a lot," said Nasiphi Nqoko, a young person residing in Qunu.

She further urged other young people to register with the IEC so that they are able to exercise their voting rights in the upcoming elections.

The Thusong Service Centre programme, which is a one-stop service point, bringing government services closer to people, was initiated in 1999 to extend government services in an integrated manner.



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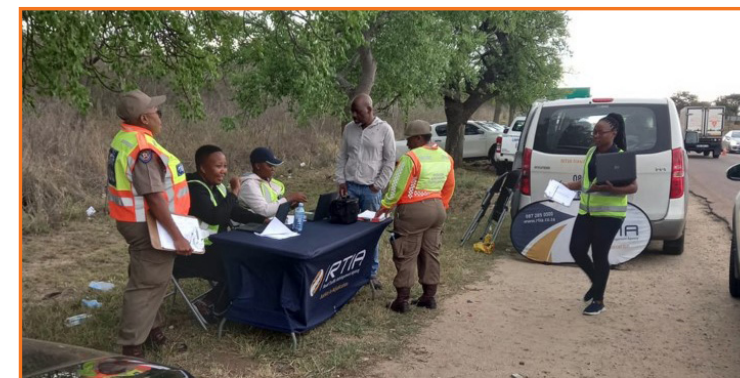
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## PRIORITY 6: SOCIAL COHESION AND SAFE COMMUNITIES.

### Inter-provincial road safety campaign

By Eunice Nkuna: GCIS, Limpopo



Law-enforcement officials hard at work during the road safety awareness campaign.

On 28 October 2022, the Mopani District (Limpopo) and Ehlanzeni District (Mpumalanga) municipalities conducted an inter-provincial joint operation road safety awareness aimed at checking public transport documentation and vehicle fitness. The campaign was held under the theme: "Let's fix transport".

In his parade remarks, the head of Mopani Traffic Law Enforcement, Samuel Machete, reminded all officials of the importance of the work at hand and requested professional and ethical conduct throughout the operation.

"We all know that delivering efficient, reliable, and safe transport services remain one of the key objectives of the government. I urge all of you to pay due diligence as you perform your duties today. Government trusts us to execute our work at the highest ethical conduct," said Machete.

Motorists were encouraged to obey traffic rules all the time, exercise patience and take short breaks during a long journey.

A total number of 418 vehicles were stopped and checked in a period of four hours, while 36 summons were issued, 158 people were searched by police, 59 vehicles got searched intensively, 112 drivers were checked by Road Traffic Infringement Agency out of which R4 165.00 revenue for outstanding fines was collected.

Drivers that got screened for alcohol consumption were 35 and one person was ultimately arrested for driving under the influence, while another person was arrested for driving without a licence.

The joint operation comprised 36 members from the Hoedspruit and Acornhoek South Africa Police Service, Traffic Police from Maruleng Local Municipality, Bushbuckridge Local Municipality, Ba-Phalaborwa Local Municipality, Namphuno and Mopani District Municipality.

The participation of the Road Traffic Infringement Agency saw a high number of traffic offenders paying on-the-spot fines before they were allowed to go. Although the operation was held in a very bushy area, far from shops and other necessities, Machete hailed and commended the good team work and dedication displayed by all stakeholders from both provinces.

## PRIORITY 2: ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION AND JOB CREATION.

### Municipality reaches out to transport sector

*By Morena Motlounq: GCIS, Free State*

The Mayor of the Mafube Local Municipality, Councillor Tlhoare Motsoeneng held an engagement session with the transport stakeholders in the municipality at Frankfort Town Hall on 16 October 2022, as part of the Transport Month campaign.

Mafube is a small municipality comprising four towns with its mainstream economy founded on agriculture and transportation.

The Mayor intends to maximise relationships with transportation stakeholders in this municipality, especially the 100% black-owned taxi business that runs and operates on the municipal infrastructure without a specific standing arrangement.

Mayor Motsoeneng reminded the Frankfort Taxi Association of their recent march to the municipality against inaccessible roads and poor infrastructure.

He assured the association that his office is working around the clock to improve and work on many things that the municipality has failed to deliver to the public.

The Mayor promised to strengthen the relationship between the municipality and the association, among all other businesses.

He emphasised that taxis remain the reliable mode of transport used by the masses from to access basic economic services in Frankfort.

Mayor Motsoeneng also urged the leaders of the association and other stakeholders to assist the municipality in getting their members and stakeholders to pay for municipal services as this will enable the municipality to deliver quality roads and other services at taxi ranks.

One of the attendees from the taxi industry, Papiki Kele, said, “We are happy to see that things are changing in the right direction and the municipality is now serious about opening doors to do business with us especially because we are 100% black owned. We are grateful to the Mayor for considering us as important stakeholders.”



Mayor Tlhoare Motsoeneng engaging with the stakeholders in Frankfort.



Moruti Mokoena commenting and supporting the idea of infrastructure improvement by the municipality.

## PRIORITY 6: SOCIAL COHESION AND SAFE COMMUNITIES.

### Dialogue on teenage pregnancy and violence

*By Kaone Lekgetho: GCIS, North West*

On 17 October 2022, the Department of Health in partnership with the Government Communication and Information System (GCIS) conducted a health and Gender-Based Violence and Femicide (GBVF) dialogue at the Mokgalwana Community Hall in Bojanala Platinum District Municipality.

The programme was targeting young girls and women to teach them about different family planning methods to teach them about the benefits of preventing unwanted pregnancies.

The Department of Health stated that statistics show that teenagers are not using contraceptives, which leads to an increased teenage pregnancy chance. Community members were urged to use condoms to prevent unplanned pregnancies and diseases.

The GCIS shared information on GBVF and highlighted measures that government has taken to fight the pandemic and offer support to survivors. The department further shared government information products with community members. They included GBVF leaflets, Vuk'uzenzele newspapers, and the South African Constitution booklet.

Other stakeholders such as AURUM, community health workers, the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, traditional leaders and religious bodies in the district, provided information on various illnesses and the programme they have to address those health issues.



Community members of Mokgalwana who were in attendance.



A government official facilitating the dialogue.



**Dineo Kgankenna said:**

“We are gathered here in Mokgalwana Community Hall where we learned about various family planning methods and tackling GBVF, from the Department of Health and the GCIS.”



**Ishmael Mogapi said:**

“I am happy to be here and that the Department of Health and the GCIS have called our children to teach them about social ills and everything on sexual intercourse. I am also happy that they have encouraged us, the elderly, to regularly check for cancer and diabetes.”



**Lesego Njoro said:**

“I am very grateful for the information that I have received today mainly because I did not know that men can also have breast cancer.”