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## INTEGRATED SERVICE DELIVERY PROGRAMME REACHES HUHUDI COMMUNITY



**“One-stop protection for abuse victims”**



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# EDITOR'S NOTE



**D**ear readers, substance abuse is a cause for concern and it has become one of the greatest challenges facing young people across the length and breadth of our beloved province. It has negative impact on the socio-economic wellbeing of young people and adults alike. This is a heartrending situation in that users commit crime to satisfy their cravings.

Their craving affect us all. We are affected because they break into houses and into our cars. Some do sell items from their own homes to get money for drugs, leaving their own family poor. Some beg for money from motorists at the robots. Some misuse grants they get from government, putting a strain on the government social security system – all in the name of drugs.

Some young people are at risk of contracting diseases from each other through the use of needles to exchange blood through a process they call "Bluetooth." Once these young people are 'high' as they usually exchange blood with each other so that they can be on the same level of gratification.

Drug users have a desire for endless intake of drugs. If they do not have drug for a moment they experience withdrawal symptoms such as shakiness, nausea, sweating and extreme anxiety. As their bodies develops tolerance to drugs/alcohol, they require larger amounts of alcohol/drugs to get high.

Their craving for substances will always lead to another craving irrespective of the negative consequences.

According to the report released by South African Community Epidemiology Network on Drug Use released in 2021, North West is among the three provinces in our country (Free State and Northern Cape) where alcohol was the most common primary substance of use, accounting for 39% of all admissions in respective treatment centres. Among the 189 persons treated at three centres during this period, cannabis was the second most common primary substance of use at 36%, followed by methamphetamine at 12%.

Nyaope is gaining popularity among adolescents, with far-reaching effects on users, families, and communities. Another survey conducted by South African National Youth Risk Behaviour Survey (YRBS) found that 15% of pupils admitted to using over-the-counter drugs to get high. The same study found that 11.5% of pupils had tried at least one drug, such as heroin, Mandrax, sugars or Tik.

Given all these, it is time service users get professional help, they must start by acknowledging that they have a substance abuse problem and that their life is out of control. They must also seek help from family members, friends and colleagues.

Approach the Department of Social Development for further assistance. There are service points in every municipality in the province that communities can visit to get information on the type of intervention that is available for them. Go for treatment with a view of wanting to turn their life around. Drugs are dangerous. Please get professional help before it is too late.

Till we meet again in the New year. Merry Christmas.

**Petrus Siko**  
Editor-in-Chief

# FROM MEC'S DESK



**I**t is always a pleasure to have an opportunity to communicate with different departmental stakeholders using our external publication, "The Bulletin".

Given the nature of the socio-economic challenges we face as a country, every available opportunity must be used to communicate government messages.

Communication with our people is important. Every time government communicates, it demonstrates the principle of accountable and transparent democratic government at play in line with the Batho Pele principles.

Dear readers gender based violence continues to be a great concern to us as government and concerning to all caring people in our beautiful.

It is a subject that keeps on hogging news headlines because of the nature of its seriousness. It is best I describe it in Setswana - *Kgang e ke tlhoba boroko mo setshabeng*. Loosely translated it means gender-based violence and femicide is an issue of grave concern to the nation.

GBVF related statistics in our country are spine-chilling. According to the Human Sciences Research Council, over half of women in South Africa (51%) reported having experienced gender-based violence.

In addition, statistics say overall, more than 35% of women over the age of 18 have experienced physical and or sexual abuse Between April 2023 and March 2024, 5578 women were killed, with femicide rising by a shocking 33,8% compared to the previous year.

The above statistics are a demonstration of the calibre of a problem we are dealing with. Anele Booysen was brutally attacked and murdered, Uyinenene Mrwetyana, raped and murdered, Gloria Sekome, throat slit, Phumeza Pepeta, shot dead at her father's funeral, Asithandile Zozo was fatally stabbed, Karabo Mokoena's body was found burnt, Tshegofatso Pule's body was found hanged and Ntobeko Cele brutally killed by an ex-boyfriend and the video of her chilling attack shared online. These are but a few names amongst hundreds of gender-based violence and femicide victims.

The victims are not just statistics, they belong to families and communities. Devastating consequences of GBVF go beyond impact on victims. They affect friends of victims, their families, neighbours, colleagues, and all facets of a victim's life.

Government has put in place measures aimed at addressing this challenge. At national level such measures include the recent passing of three stringent pieces of legislation, the establishment of a 24-hour command centre, provision of specific services at Thuthuzela care centres, access to shelters, counselling, legal assistance and victim friendly rooms at police stations and many others.

May I stress that government alone cannot win a war against gender-based violence and femicide. All role players, including parents, faith-based organisations, the NGO sector, business, community and political organisations, must play their part.

I will be failing in my duty if I do not recognize the role played by all our stakeholders in the fight against GBVF. We salute your efforts. May God grant you more strength to continue to do the excellent work.

*Ms Basetsana Rebecca Sussana Dantjie*

**MEC for Department of Social Development**

## ON THE COVER:

Social Development Minister Sisili Tolashe and MEC Basetsana Sussana Dantjie take ICROP outreach programme to Huhudi.

# ONE-STOP PROTECTION FOR ABUSE VICTIMS

*Khuseleka One Stop centre staff has resumed services for victims and survivors of gender- based violence and femicide.*

**By: Petrus Siko**

**S**ervices have resumed at the Khuseleka One-Stop Centre in Vryburg following the lifting of a prohibition notice sanctioned by Employment and Labour Department.

The state-run institution was closed for two months to allow the Department of Social Development to address the infrastructural challenges, including an overflowing drainage system, a collapsing ceiling and faulty

aid, placement of children in schools, shelter services and court preparations, among others. The name "Khuseleka" is derived from the Zulu word, which means protection.

The Khuseleka One-Stop Centre is a ground-breaking initiative of the Department of Social Development. The department started the centre in collaboration with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the European Union (EU) under the Victim Empowerment Programme. The

programme addresses crimes such as domestic violence, rape, human trafficking and sexual harassment.

Other government departments and organisations also support the initiative. They include the departments of justice and constitutional development and health, the National Prosecuting Authority of South Africa and the South African Police Services, as well as civil society organisations.



**Back in Full Force:** Khuseleka One Stop Centre in Vryburg resumes services for victims and survivors of gender-based violence and femicide GBVF.

electricity supply.

The purpose of a prohibition notice is to stop any work activity that poses an imminent risk to the health and safety of workers or the public. It serves as an enforcement measure under the Occupational Health and Safety Act No. 85 of 1993, which is designed to protect individuals from harm in workplaces.

On 3 September 2025, the Department of Employment and Labour revoked the prohibition notice, allowing Khuseleka centre staff to resume services for victims and survivors of gender- based violence and femicide. Opened in 2011, the Khuseleka One-Stop Centre provides lifesaving services to survivors of gender-based violence, including psychosocial support and trauma counselling, health care, police services, legal

Members of the community, non-profit organisations and law enforcement agencies are encouraged to use the services available at the state-run institution by referring victims who need safety and protection. Self-referrals are also welcome. The GBV Command Centre (GBVCC), administered by the National Department of Social Development, can also be used to support and guide victims of violence and abuse.

Gender Based Violence Command Centre can be reached on 0800 428 428, via Please call me at **\*120\* 7867#** (supported by a USSD), or Skype: Helpme GBV (for members of the deaf community) or sending SMS: 'help' to 31531 (for persons with disability).



# POVERTY TAKES A BACK SEAT AS DSD INTERVENES

*The department's efforts to empower women SMMEs, with material support for sustainability and fight poverty and unemployment.*

By: James Moche

**I**magine the trauma and stress of being a leader of a household of twelve family members and your only source of income is a small struggling poultry business. To add salt to the wound, the rest of the family members are not working.

This is the story of fifty-three years old Patronella Chakale, who resides in Huhudi location near Vryburg. Chakale's situation called for a caring government to

Cements roof nails, S5 perline, maxi bricks, window frame, combination steel door frame and galvanised wire, were part of the package.

Speaking to The Bulletin newsletter, Chakale says she is thankful to the department for helping her. She says before the assistance of the department, the business was struggling, but after the intervention, believes, there will be improvement.



**Women Empowerment:** Patronella Chakale, receiving building material from Minister Sisi Tolashe and MEC Sussana Dantjie of Social Development as part of the women empowerment support for SMMEs

intervene. After profiling the situation of Chakale the Department, deemed it necessary for it to intervene.

As part of the Minister of social development Sisi Tolashe's outreach programme, accompanied by MEC, Basetsana Sussana Dantjie, donated items that would assist her to expand the structure of her poultry business.

The items bought by the department costed about R35 000. They included agricultural goods such as seven barnlab chick advance broiler grower pills, barnlab chick advance broiler finish pills and barnlab chick advance broiler starter pills.

Community development supervisor at Naledi service point Kebontshitswe Gopane, says when her team profiled Chakale, they discovered that she was operating a small broiler farm in a smaller space at her homestead. Gopane says her chickens needs serious care such as medical attention, chicken feed and a larger structure to be able to operate freely.

"We realised that supporting her on what she had already started, she would go far and be sustainable. We hoping that with the help of the department, she will own an abattoir in the future", says Gopane.

The assistance of the department, is part of the department's efforts to empower women, fight poverty and unemployment and assist vulnerable groups.

# FIGHT GBVF THROUGH PRAYER

*MEC Dantjie also is concerned over the trend of survivors withdrawing criminal cases after reporting them to the law enforcement authorities.*

By: Lerato Digoamaje



**MASS PRAYER:** MEC Basetsana Sussana Dantjie was addressing the residents who attended a candlelight and GBVF mass prayer session at Freedom Park community hall

**P**arents and guardians should guard against unchecked curfew freedoms such as the blesser-blessee phenomenon, misuse of child support grants and unaccountable parenting which expose young girls to predatory behaviour and gender based violence.

Dantjie was addressing the residents who attended a solemn candlelight and GBVF mass prayer session at Freedom Park community hall near Rustenburg.

“Parents should not adopt the silent grooming of children. When harmful behavior is ignored at home all social ills becomes prevalent. Silence is never neutral. Communities have an indispensable role to play in breaking the cycle of violence. Let us therefore, take collective responsibility and be vigilant if we are to defeat these social pathologies that torment our communities,” MEC Dantjie told the residents who filled the local community hall to brim. Communities, MEC Dantjie said must join hands in the fight against gender-based violence and HIV/AIDS.

Representatives from faith-based organisations, non-government organisations, Rustenburg local municipality Executive Mayor, government officials and GBV survivors attended the mass prayer session to show their solidarity towards zero tolerant on GBVF. This initiative comes in the wake of the government’s formal declaration of Gender Based Violence and Femicide as a national disaster, a move signaling heightened political will and coordinated responses in working towards curbing a growing crisis.

MEC Dantjie also expressed her concern over the trend of survivors withdrawing criminal cases after reporting them to the law enforcement authorities, emphasizing that every dismissed case strengthens a vicious cycle that we must all confront with honesty.

During the session which was characterized with religious songs, the residents lit candles, offered prayers, and reflected on the challenges of GBVF and HIV, which are two socio-cultural ills that play malice to the devastation of households and communities across the communities. The mass prayer was as both a spiritual intervention and a platform for urgent action, calling for communities to unite

in preventing abuse and supporting survivors.

GBVF survivor and beneficiary affiliated with Letlhabile Network, Odirile Molefe (not her real name), shared her journey from a violent relationship to recovery and independence. She now assists women with protection orders and safe exit strategies, demonstrating how local organisations can provide the emotional, practical and financial support necessary for survivors to reclaim agency. “Through the centre I found the means to support myself, to be independent and to help others file for protection orders,” she said. “A healthy support system is vital, but you must also depend on yourself.” Her testimony highlighted the importance of financial independence and community support in breaking cycles of abuse and nurturing safe relationships, aligning closely with the Department’s message of empowerment and vigilance.

Speakers urged communities to work closely with NPOs supported by the Department of Social Development to ensure timely monitoring, psychosocial support, and rapid interventions, highlighting that community-led action is essential for effective prevention. A representative from the Networking HIV and AIDS Community of Southern Africa (NACOSA) Kgaugelo Nketsing, emphasised that sustainable solutions to both GBVF and HIV should solemnly be rooted in communities, calling on residents to reflect on their roles as either a survivor, victim, perpetrator or bystander, or a conscious participant in creating safer environments.

The gathering also challenged harmful cultural norms that silence male survivors of abuse, urging men to report violence and reject the expectation that they must be unshakeable in the face of harm done, and time spent on it.



# DEPARTMENT HANDS OVER EQUIPMENT TO WOMEN SMMES

*The department's efforts to empower women SMMEs, with material support for sustainability and fight poverty and unemployment.*

By: Petrus Siko

**W**omen entrepreneurs in Maquassi Hills local municipality hailed the department of social development in the North West for providing them with material support to grow their small, medium and micro enterprises.

The equipment includes tools sets, fridges, dough rollers, gas stoves, tables, chairs, industrial washing machines, cake mixtures, pots, electric frying pans, micro ovens and chuffing dishes.

Modiehi Motlhabane, who specialises in bakery and confectionery attributed her profound thanks to God Almighty for enabling the department to buy them equipment and deliver it at the right time. "I thank God for giving us strength to wait for the equipment. I am so grateful. It is like I am born again. I appeal to all women to work hard. Motlhabane advises other women to start businesses to beat poverty and unemployment. Now that we have received the equipment, we are going to work hard for the success of our businesses."

Through the sale of food and cakes, I generated money for my Bachelor of Education foundation phase. Today I am graduate and I am still pursuing this business. Thank you very much social development for boosting my business, a Kgakala location business woman, Kediemetse Selebalo expressed her happiness after receiving material support from the department.

Presenting the equipment to the beneficiaries, Tebogo Chaane manager in the Office of MEC says the aim of the initiative is to provide women led emerging businesses with the necessary equipment to enhance their productivity, efficiency and competitiveness in the market. "Please make it a point that you sharpen your skills by studying. Be professional in your business. Make sure that you maintain cleanliness.



**EMPOWERMENT:** Women smme's in Maquassi Hills receive material support to boost their businesses, in line with the departmental policy on economic

As your businesses grow, make sure you hire unemployed people."

The provision of material support to rural women across the province, is in line with the departmental policy on economic strengthening of individuals, households and community initiatives which aims to reduce vulnerability, poverty and dependence on the state. As part of social investment, the department, has on an annual basis procured equipment, machinery and materials for unemployed women who have livelihoods strategies to uplift the socio-economic level of their communities and generate income for their respective households.

Community members from Kgakala location, Tswelelang, Makwassie and Leeudoringstad attended the handover ceremony held under the theme: "The rise of rural women: building resilient future." Since the beginning of the current financial year the department has been providing equipment to women owned enterprises across the province.

# KEY ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT

*A modern-day slavery involving the illegal transport and sale of individuals for the purpose of labour, sexual exploitation and mutilation.*

**T**he department of social development has a responsibility to service communities across the province and offer safety to victims of gender-based violence, HIV/AIDS victims, drug/ service users, persons living with disabilities and older persons. Its mandate is also to create employment and offer opportunities to the Youth.

To achieve this, the department works hand-in-hand with other stakeholders like NPOs across the province, SASSA and National Development Agency (NDA).

Through the following key achievements, the department is on the right track to achieve its mandate:

## **Fight against drugs and substance abuse**

The department has begun admitting clients at the new state-run substance use treatment centre in Taung, marking a major milestone in expanding access to rehabilitation services in the North West. The centre based at Taung hospital, offers in-patient care to clients from across the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District, helping to respond to the rising demand for support and recovery.

To date the centre has 10 service users who are receiving rehabilitation services from both Departments of Social Development and Health. One professional nurse, one assistant nurse and one personnel officer have been appointed at the centre.

## **Employment of young people**

As per the Medium Term Development Plan (MTDP) strategic priority, which includes growth and job creation, the department of social development has managed to create one thousands three hundred and eight (1 308) work opportunities through Expanded Public Works Programme. About 38% of young people have benefitted from this programme.

Furthermore, 28 Interns have been appointed with the department and cost of employee budget amounting to R2 337 000 and 25 HWSETA interns were employed for a period of two years from April 2025 to March 2027 with budget of R1 652 000.

## **Community outreaches**

In support of struggling NPOs the MEC, Basetsana Sussana Dantjie launched a flagship initiative, Re Thuse Re Go Thuse, aimed at assisting social sector NPOs in achieving full compliance with the NPO Act. The programme reflects her commitment to building a strong and effective NPO sector that can deliver essential community services.

The Re Thuse Re Go Thuse roadshows, conducted in partnership with the National Lottery Commission, SASSA, NDA, SARS, Provincial Treasury and National Department of Social Development and other sister departments have already reached NPOs in Ngaka Modiri Molema, Bojanala, Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati and Kenneth Kaunda Districts.

Through Re Thuse re go Thuse, the department has also been on expeditions to bring essential government services closer to rural communities, with participation from various departments, including Home Affairs and Health, which provided onsite assistance to address community needs.



## Summary of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter performance per programme:

### Programme 2

- 597 persons with disabilities accessed day care services against a target of 548.
- 322 persons with disabilities accessed residential care facilities against a target of 314.
- 14 175 beneficiaries were reached through Social and Behaviour change programmes against a target 13 533.

### Programme 3

- 27 family members were reunited with their families against a target of 16.
- 180 children were placed in foster care against a target of 117.
- 911 children accessed registered partial care facilities against a target of 679.
- 461 children accessed services in funded Drop-In Centres against a target of 380.

### Programme 4

- 140 persons in conflict with the law completed diversion programme against the target of 99.
- 105 children in conflict with the law accessed secure care centres against a target of 97.
- One hundred percent (100%) Victims of Gender Based Violence accessed psychosocial support services against the target one hundred percent (100%).
- 822 service users accessed substance-use-disorders (SUD) treatment services against a target of 758.

### Programme 5

- 1 308 EPWP work opportunities created against a target of 1 229.
- 118 community-based plans developed against a target of 118.
- 725 women participated in empowerment programmes against the target of 601



# SETHEO SA BAGODI SA TAUNG SE A DIRA

*Tshireletso ya bagodi le go tlotla ditshwanelo tsa bona e kwa setlhoeng mo lenaaneng la thebolo ya ditirelo la puso.*

## Ka Thabang Tikane



**LEGAE LA BAGODI:** Setheo sa bagodi kwa Pudumoe, se neelana ka ditirelo tse di maleba go ralala naga

**L**gae la bagodi le le kwa motsesetoropong wa Pudumoe gaufi le mmila mogolo wa 2018, se agilwe ka ngwaga wa 2018 ka maikaelelo a go tlamela bagodi ka bonno jo bo sireletsegileng.

Se agilwe ka madi a a kana ka R73 million mme sa tsenngwa tirisong ka ngwaga wa 2023. Ga jaana se na le bagodi ba le sometlhano b aba ntse ba amogela ditirelo tse di farologaneng.

Badiri ba legae leno la bagodi ba akaretsa badiredi loago, batsa-matlotlo, ba ba tlhatswang le go phepafatsa dikantoro le motlhokomedi wa tikologo.

Kgomotso Morweng, yo eleng modiredi loago, o tthalosa fa legae le, se buletswe bagodi gotswa gongwe le gongwe mo porofenseng le mo nageng, fa fela ba le digwaga dile 60 le go feta mme gape ba na le ditlankana tse di maleba, go akaretsa lokwalo-itshupo, tsa tirelo ya phitlho, pegelo e e tthalosang ka boripana

maemo a mogodi a pholo, le pegelo go tswa kwa badirediloagong. Tse dingwe ke lekwalo la maikano la ba losika go bontsha fa ba dumela gore mogodi a ka amogelwa mo legaeng la bagodi.

Setheo, se tsharabolotse diphuka go oketsa badiri. Ga jaana baoki ba 10, baitseanape ba tsa pholo ba le babedi. Ga jaana palo yotlhe ya badiri e eme go 69.

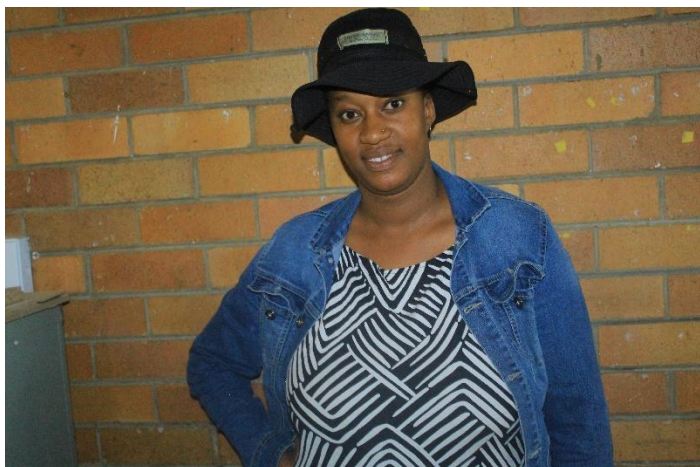
“Re a itse gore lefatshe le fetogile thata. Go mbotsotsi le borukutlhi, go dinokwane, bogodu bo godile, bagodi bangwe ba dula ba le nosi mo malapeng ka ntlha ya mabaka a a farologaneng. Ke ka moo go leng botlhokwa go tlisa bagodi mo setheong se, gore ba sireletsege.”

Morweng are go botlhokwa thata gore batho ba itse fa legae la bagodi le amogela bagodi ba ba nang le bolwetse jwa tthaloganyo, kgotsa bolwetse bofe kapa bofe jo bo amang tthaloganyo.



# VOICES OF WOMEN WHO RECEIVED MATERIAL SUPPORT FROM THE DSD

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**Melita Diphoko**

**Type of business: Food Service Business**

**Place: Rulaganyang, Maquassi Hills, Witpoort**

"This support has touched me deeply. I want to express my heartfelt appreciation to the Department. It has come at a time when I needed strength, encouragement, and belief in myself. Today, I feel a renewed sense of purpose and the confidence to keep moving forward. Your commitment to uplifting women like me means more than you can imagine, and I am truly grateful."



**Nthabiseng Manele**

**Type of business: Food Service Business**

**Place of Location: Makwase street, Lebakeng, Wolmaranstad**

"I am honestly moved by the kindness and support shown to me by the Department. This moment feels like a turning point—one that fills my heart with hope and my mind with new possibilities. As a woman trying to grow her small business, it is powerful to know that I am not standing alone. Thank you for empowering me and restoring my belief in a brighter future."



**Kediemetse Selebalo 35 years old**

**Type of business: Food Service Business**

**Place of Location: 1865**

"I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the support I've received from the Department. This assistance has brought a sense of dignity, hope, and possibility back into my life. For a long time, I carried the weight of trying to build my business on my own, but today I feel seen, valued, and empowered. Thank you for reaching out your hand and reminding me that my dreams are worth pursuing."

# FAQs - NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

## WHO IS THE NDA?

The NDA is an agency of the Department of Social Development tasked with contributing towards poverty eradication through engaging Civil Society Organisations and capacitating them to empower communities.



## WHO EXACTLY GETS ASSISTED BY THE NDA?

The NDA supports Non Profit Organisations and Co-operatives that contribute towards poverty eradication in their communities. It does not support individuals nor companies registered with the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC).

## HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO GET FUNDING FROM THE NDA?

Decisions to fund a project(s) could take anything from three to six months depending on the nature of the project. Feasibility studies/due diligence is normally undertaken before funding approval.

## HOW DOES ONE GET INVOLVED IN THE ECD CAMPAIGN THAT THE NDA IS CURRENTLY RUNNING?

You can visit the NDA's Adopt an ECD portal on the NDA website and then select the ECD Centre that you would like to support.

## HOW DOES ONE APPLY FOR VACANCIES AT THE NDA?

Every Vacancy advert has information on how to apply or contact the HR Department.

## HOW AND WHEN CAN YOU REQUEST FOR FUNDING APPLICATION FORMS FROM THE NDA?

The NDA does not issue funding application forms. It has a pro-active approach to grant funding whereby it engages with targeted communities with the view to proactively identifying or creating community-based organisations to implement projects.

## DOES THE NDA OFFER BURSARIES TO STUDENTS?

Unfortunately the NDA doesn't offer bursaries externally.

## DO CSOs/PROJECTS GET ONCE OFF, MONTHLY OR YEARLY FUNDING FROM THE NDA?

Funding is for a minimum 12 months and a maximum of 36 months period. Payments are divided in three tranches payable upon achievement of agreed upon milestones. This is based on the fact that development challenges cannot be addressed on a short-term basis but need long-term engagement.



# SING WITH AN UNDERSTANDING

## NATIONAL ANTHEM

Nkosi sikelel' Afrika  
(God bless Africa)  
Maluphakanyisw' uphondo lwayo,  
(Raise high her glory)  
Yizwa imithandazo yethu,  
(Hear our prayers)  
Nkosi sikelela, thina lusapho lwayo.  
(God bless us, we her children)

Morena boloka setjhaba sa heso,  
(God protect our nation)  
O fedise dintwa le matshwenyeho,  
(End all wars and tribulations)  
O se boloke, O se boloke setjhaba sa heso,  
(Protect us, protect our nation)  
Setjhaba sa South Afrika - South Afrika.  
(Our nation South Africa - South Africa)

Uit die blou van onse hemel,  
(Ringing our from our blue heavens)  
Uit die diepte van ons see,  
(From the depth of our seas)  
Oor ons ewige gebergtes,  
(Over our everlasting mountains)  
Waar die kranse antwoord gee,  
(Where the echoing crags resound)

Sounds the call to come together,  
And united we shall stand,  
Let us live and strive for freedom,  
In South Africa our land.



**SALUTE:** Only the President of the country put his hand over the heart. Others stand still to attention with their hands on the sides, facing forward, and remain silent and respectful, removing hats if you're a civilian

### Steps for Civilians:

1. **Stand to Attention:** Get to your feet and stand straight.
2. **Hands at Sides:** Keep your hands relaxed at your sides.
3. **Remove Hats:** If wearing a hat, take it off as a sign of respect.
4. **Face Forward:** Look ahead, towards the flag or where the anthem is being performed.
5. **Remain Silent:** Do not talk, move around, or blow vuvuzelas.

### Key Points:

- **Respect:** The anthem should be sung and observed with "appropriate respect".
- **Official Guidance:** The government issued a protocol in 2010 encouraging these actions.
- **No Hand-Over-Heart (for civilians):** Unlike some other countries, the South African protocol for civilians is hands at sides, not over the heart (that's for president and or military/veterans or specific salutes).



# **“LETSEMA: MEN, WOMEN, BOYS AND GIRLS WORKING TOGETHER TO END GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND FEMICIDE (GBVF)”**

**Government is committed  
to intensifying the fight  
against GBVF**

**STOP**  
**Violence Against Women**

**Report any form of  
violence to the nearest  
Police Station**



**Call the GBV Command  
Centre on 0800 428 428 for  
psychological support**



**16 DAYS**  
**OF ACTIVISM FOR NO VIOLENCE  
AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN**  
**25 NOVEMBER – 10 DECEMBER**



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# WEAR ORANGE



**SAY NO  
UNiTE**  
TO END VIOLENCE  
AGAINST WOMEN

Every month on the 25th, the world turns orange - not in celebration, but in protest. The United Nations' UNiTE campaign has designated the 25th of each month as Orange Day, a global initiative to raise awareness and inspire action to end violence against women and girls. Join the fight against GBV by wearing some orange on 25<sup>th</sup> of every month. #NoGBV

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**GENERATION  
EQUALITY**

**STANDS  
AGAINST  
RAPE**



**THE NDP SETS OUT A VISION FOR SOUTH AFRICA FOR 2030.  
IT AIMS TO ELIMINATE POVERTY, AND REDUCE UNEMPLOYMENT  
AND INEQUALITY BY 2030**



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