



NORTHERN CAPE

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OUR JOURNEY TO THE TOP BEGINS WITH EVERY MATRICULANT

The Premier Dr. Zamani Saul visited Saul Damon High School in Uptington to encourage the 273 Grade 12 learners as they continue through these crucial months of their schooling journey. He reminded them that discipline and hard work are the key to success, congratulating the Class of 2026 on reaching this important milestone.

To strengthen results and encourage engagement in STEM subjects, the Provincial Government has introduced measures to enhance both the quality and quantity of matric outcomes. As part of this effort, 12 000 scientific calculators have been secured for Grade 12 learners across the Northern Cape Province.

During his visit, Premier Dr. Zamani Saul handed over calculators to 273 learners and six educators at Saul Damon High School. The school also received R200,000 towards its Grade 12 intervention programme, a dedicated investment to support its learners. The distribution of calculators will continue across districts, ensuring that every Grade 12 learner in the province has access to the tools they need to achieve their full potential.



Premier, Dr. Zamani Saul addressing the learners



Premier, Dr. Zamani Saul handing out calculators



A group picture of the grade 12 learners



The Northern Cape Department of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism delegated a task and exhibition team to attend the Africa Travel Indaba 2026 within the confines of the KwaZulu Natal Province (Durban), at the Inkosi Albert Luthuli International Convention Centre.

The month of May, which is widely recognised and commemorated annually as Africa Month, was launched with the highly anticipated Africa's Travel Indaba event in the week of 11-14 May 2026. By fully embracing the new 2026 theme, known as "Unlimited Africa: Growing Africa's Tourism Economy", immense focus was placed to change the current trajectory by reinforcing various existing and possible new connections, as well as reshaping the current day tourism.

The first day, 11 May, was kickstarted with a programme known as BONday (Business Opportunity Networking Day), led by the Honourable Deputy Minister of Tourism, Ms. Makhotso Soty. By placing more emphasis on tourism being a driving force towards strategic economic in the country, President Cyril Ramaphosa took centre stage and officially launched the opening of Africa's Travel Indaba for the year of 2026.

In great strides to honour the heritage of Africa's Travel Indaba with over 40 years of service, the three-day installation hosted various executives, ministers, delegates, exhibitors, media outlets, organisations and multiple tourism leaders from different parts of the African continent, by having several engagements with the public on pivotal points regarding entrepreneurship, sports, music, fashion, culture and digital transformation in South Africa.

The aim of this celebration is to reshape and diversify this kind of exercise for future descendants, while still maintaining Africa's tourism economy through inclusiveness and vibrancy.



Product owners fully present at the Africa's Travel Indaba 2026.



Africa's Travel Indaba 2026.



Delegates from NCEDA in attendance at the Africa's Travel Indaba 2026.



ROBERT MANGALISO SOBUKWE HOSPITAL BOOSTS DIAGNOSTIC CAPACITY WITH NEW CT SCANNER

The Northern Cape Department of Health has strengthened specialised healthcare services with the installation of an additional 90cm bore CT scanner at Robert Mangaliso Sobukwe Hospital, in the Radiology Unit. This latest investment marks another important milestone in the hospital's ongoing efforts to modernise its medical infrastructure and improve access to high quality healthcare for communities across the province.

As the Northern Cape's leading tertiary referral hospital, Robert Mangaliso Sobukwe Hospital plays a critical role in providing advanced diagnostic and treatment services to patients from all five districts. The introduction of the new CT scanner will significantly enhance the hospital's imaging capacity, enabling healthcare professionals to diagnose complex medical conditions more efficiently and accurately.

The scanner will support a wide range of clinical services,

including emergency medicine, trauma care, surgical planning, and specialised treatment interventions. It will also contribute to the hospital's role as a training and research facility for medical practitioners and specialists in the province. Designed with a wider 90cm bore, the new scanner offers greater comfort and accessibility for patients, particularly those with mobility challenges and those requiring specialised positioning during imaging procedures. This feature ensures that more patients can be accommodated with dignity and ease.

The additional scanner is expected to reduce waiting times for diagnostic scans, improve turnaround times for critical results, and strengthen patient outcomes by enabling earlier and more precise diagnoses. The hospital management described the installation as more than a technological advancement, noting that it represents a meaningful investment in patient centred care and the continued transformation of healthcare services in the Northern Cape.



NORTHERN CAPE SHINES AT NATIONAL SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAMME AWARDS

The Northern Cape celebrated a significant achievement when the province emerged as one of the top performers at the National School Nutrition Programme (NSNP) Best Schools and District Awards held at Seodin Primary School near Kuruman.

Hosted by the Department of Basic Education in partnership with the Northern Cape Department of Education, the awards honour schools and districts that demonstrate excellence, innovation and commitment in implementing the National School Nutrition Programme.

The National School Nutrition Programme is one of government's most important interventions to support learners from disadvantaged communities. Implemented by the Department of Basic Education, the programme provides daily nutritious meals to learners attending public schools, particularly in no fee schools. More than nine million learners benefit from the programme across South Africa each school day. By ensuring that learners receive at least one balanced meal each day, the programme contributes to both educational success and the overall wellbeing of children.

THE NSNP PLAYS A CRITICAL ROLE IN

- Reducing hunger among learners
- Improving concentration and classroom participation
- Increasing school attendance
- Supporting improved academic performance
- Promoting healthy eating habits
- Creating employment opportunities for volunteer food handlers and
- Encouraging schools to establish food gardens, to list a few.

The event was attended by Deputy Minister of Basic Education, Dr Reginah Mhaule, and Northern Cape MEC for Education, Mr Abraham Vosloo. The Northern Cape Province received two prestigious national awards:

- Namakwa Education District was named the Best District in South Africa.
- Van Zylsrus Full Service School, situated in the John Taolo Gaetsewe District, won the award for Best Farm School.

The Best School Award was presented to Isaac Mhlambi Primary School. These awards, introduced during the 2009/10 financial year, recognise schools and districts that have excelled in delivering nutritious meals to learners while implementing innovative practices

that strengthen the programme. In her keynote address, Deputy Minister Mhaule described the NSNP as a cornerstone of government's efforts to improve learner outcomes. She noted that the awards coincided with a significant date in South Africa's democratic history, marking the adoption of the Constitution by the National Assembly on 8 May 1996.

"The National School Nutrition Programme has a positive impact on learner attendance and academic performance. In some schools, learners also receive breakfast, which is essential in helping them start the school day ready to learn," said Deputy Minister Mhaule. She further encouraged schools to establish food gardens to strengthen food security and provide learners with practical knowledge about agriculture and nutrition.

The awards also celebrated the contribution of School Management Teams, educators, School Governing Bodies and volunteer food handlers, whose dedication ensures the successful implementation of the programme. Their commitment helps create a supportive learning environment where learners can focus on their studies without the burden of hunger.

The success of Namakwa Education District and Van Zylsrus Full Service School is a testament to the hard work of educators, administrators and support staff across the Northern Cape. These achievements reflect the province's ongoing efforts to improve educational outcomes and ensure that every learner has the opportunity to succeed in the classroom and beyond.



MEC for Education, Mr. Abraham Vosloo, the District Director of Namaqua, Mr. Fadiel Farao, and Dr. Reginah Mhaule celebrating the wins of the best schools in the Northern Cape.

MEC MOTLHAPING ENGAGES PIXLEY KA SEME FARMERS ON KEY AGRICULTURAL ISSUES

MEC for Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform, Mr. Lebogang Motlhaping, accompanied by Head of Department Mr. Zolile Monakali engaged with farmers in the Pixley Ka Seme District on matters affecting the growth and sustainability in the agricultural sector.

During this engagement, farmers raised several pressing concerns, including limited access to funding and commonage land, inadequate information sharing, farmer disputes, and ongoing infrastructure challenges. The meeting concluded with a commitment by the Department to partner with the Department of Water and Sanitation and local municipalities to tackle the identified issues.

As part of the Department's support to the sector, MEC Motlhaping handed over R2 078 100.00 (Two million and seventy-eight thousand one hundred rand) to Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme (CASP) beneficiaries, aimed at strengthening small-scale and emerging farmers by providing the resources needed for growth and sustainability. MEC Motlhaping also encouraged farmers to remain united, emphasizing that through collective action and strong partnerships, the sector can overcome its challenges, contribute to food security, and strengthen the local economy.



MEC Motlhaping with Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme (CASP) beneficiaries



Community members attending the Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme

A large graphic celebrating Africa Month 2026. It features a stylized map of the African continent filled with intricate, colorful geometric patterns in shades of red, orange, and brown. The map is set against a white background with scattered small triangles in green, yellow, and red. To the right, the words "AFRICA MONTH" are written in large, bold, 3D-style letters with a gold-to-brown gradient. Below this, the year "2026" is displayed in white on a dark green-to-brown gradient rectangular background. The entire graphic is framed by decorative borders of triangles and lines.

DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE PRESIDENCY AND THE CEO OF HUAWEI HANDS OVER AN ICT LAB FACILITY IN THE ZFM DISTRICT.

On Friday, 08 May 2026 - The National Deputy Minister in the Presidency, Ms Nonceba Mhlauli, handed over an ICT Cyber Lab at Paballelo High School in Upington.

with the objective of furthering their studies in their respective career fields and securing a better future for themselves, and to also position themselves as precedents for the next generations to come.



Deputy Minister in the Presidency, Nonceba Mhlauli, delivering her keynote address.



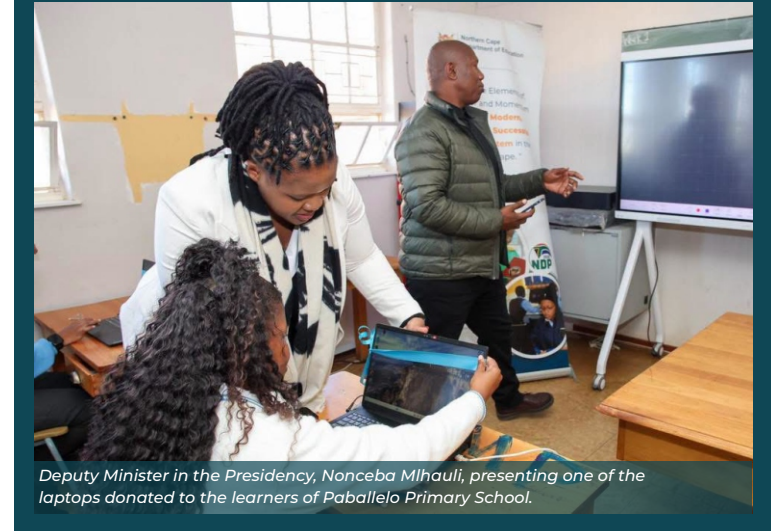
ICT Lab Facilities in the ZFM District

Marking the 30 years of the constitution, Deputy Minister Nonceba Mhlauli, in collaboration to the CEO of Huawei, Charles Chen administered a complete ICT Cyber Laboratory. The completion of this laboratory is comprised of a number of items including a Smart IdeaHub, newly equipped laptops, computers and more technological devices that will serve the purpose of intensifying education.



Deputy Minister in the Presidency, Nonceba Mhlauli, the CEO of Huawei, Charles Chen, and the Principal of Paballelo Primary School unveiling the newly equipped ICT Lab.

With immense purpose of correspond and aligning with the Northern Cape's Provincial Government's vision, **“Modern, Growing and Successful Province”**, this initiative is primarily focused on providing learners of Paballelo Primary School with the necessary resources to be able to gain sufficient access to various technological devices, web or internet connectivity and digital learning, while still keeping abreast with the concept of innovation, upskilling education and fostering intellectual growth for our youth of today.



Deputy Minister in the Presidency, Nonceba Mhlauli, presenting one of the laptops donated to the learners of Paballelo Primary School.

In the Deputy Minister's speech, she said: **“Utilise this facility to research career opportunities, apply to universities and colleges on time, and prepare yourselves for the future economy”**. In essence, she greatly urges the learners to use the resources provided with immense efficiency and effectiveness

HONOURING OUR SENIORS IN PRIESKA



The elderly at the Older Persons Appreciation Event.

Premier Dr. Zamani Saul, alongside MEC for Social Development Mase Manopole and local leaders, held an Older Persons Appreciation Event in the Siyathemba Local Municipality, Prieska. The community was reminded of the importance of care and protection of the elderly who remain the foundation of society.



A group picture of the officials and the school choir

The Premier condemned elder abuse, exploitation and the unlawful confiscation of identity documents, calling for vigilance and unity. He stressed government's commitment to safeguarding the dignity, rights and well-being of older persons. The government has also intensified efforts to combat elder abuse and promote active ageing and social inclusion through accessible community programmes.



A group picture of the seniors

At the event, 300 fleece blankets were distributed and Premier Dr. Zamani Saul pledged to return with R1000 food vouchers for beneficiaries. SASSA addressed grant related concerns on site. While Gariiep High School received a pledge of R100 000 to strengthen its recreational and cultural programmes.



Dr. Saul with Ms Manopole handing gifts to the elderly

Dr. Zamani Saul has emphasised that the care and empowerment of the elderly remains a cornerstone of the 7th Administration's vision, highlighting its commitment to honour and uplifting the seniors.

NORTHERN CAPE HEALTH TURNAROUND GAINS MOMENTUM

In January 2026, Premier Dr Zamani Saul launched the 4 Pillar Priority projects to accelerate service delivery in Health, Agriculture, Housing, and Infrastructure.



Premier of the Northern Cape Dr. Zamani Saul at the Proff ZK Mathews Hospital

The Premier led the first visit on 3 February 2026 to Manne Dipico Hospital in Colesberg. To date, 32 facilities have been assessed across all districts - nine hospitals, four Community Health Centres, and nineteen clinics - with five more scheduled for the Pixley Ka Seme District in mid-May, bringing the total to 37.

Inspections reveal pockets of excellence alongside significant challenges in staffing, infrastructure, equipment, and security. Facility-level improvement plans are now being developed to address these issues through immediate, medium, and long-term interventions. This integrated, outcome-focused approach promises to enhance healthcare quality and patient safety across the Northern Cape.

Under a mission-driven governance approach led by the Office of the Premier, the Department of Health has implemented a comprehensive Turnaround Action Plan targeting 12 critical areas. These include leadership stability, human resources, infrastructure maintenance, ICT connectivity, medical supplies, emergency medical services, safety and security.

A key innovation has been the deployment of a Mobile Application for Health Facility Monitoring, enabling unannounced inspections.



Dr Harry Surtie Hospital



Kharkams

JUNIOR COUNCIL EMPOWERS FUTURE LEADERS IN KIMBERLEY

Members of the newly elected Junior Council of the Sol Plaatje Local Municipality were officially inducted at a ceremony held at Kimberley City Hall, marking a significant step in youth empowerment and civic engagement.

According to Speaker Dipuo Peters, the initiative is a collaborative effort between the municipality, the Office of the Premier and Motlamme-Pino Attorneys. The programme equips pupils in Grades 7 to 10 with practical governance skills by allowing them to assume roles as councillors and ward committee members.

Participants engaged in interactive sessions led by key stakeholders, gaining insight into local government structures, leadership principles and community participation. The Junior Council mirrors the municipal structure, representing 27 wards, and encourages learners to actively contribute to development plans and community improvement.

The programme aims to foster accountability, service and leadership among young people, inspiring them to become active citizens and future leaders in their communities.



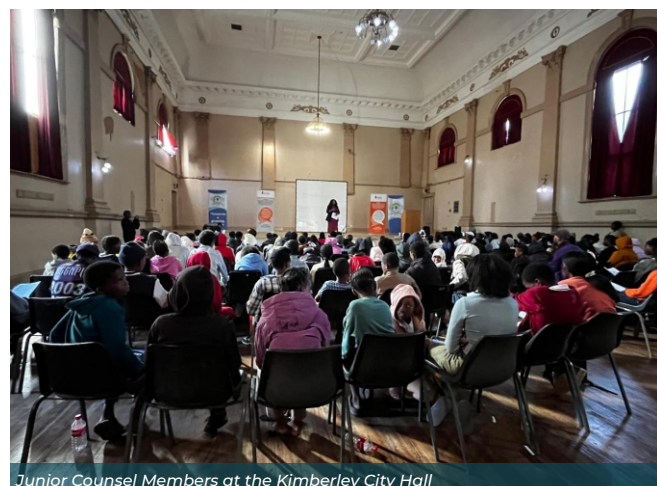
Junior Council Members induction at the Kimberley City Hall



PR Counselor with the Junior Council Committee



ORC deputy director with the Junior Council Speaker, Mayor and Chief Whip



Junior Council Members at the Kimberley City Hall



KIMBERLEY RUNNERS RECEIVE WARM SEND-OFF AHEAD OF COMRADES MARATHON

Athletics Griqualand West (AGW) proudly hosted a successful Comrades Send-Off and long run for affiliated running clubs across Kimberley, bringing together athletes, supporters, and the running community in a spirit of unity and encouragement ahead of the iconic Comrades Marathon.

The strong turnout highlighted the spirit of togetherness and support shared by the

running community from both regions.

Goodluck to all runners taking part in the Comrades Marathon 2026, may your preparation, determination, and passion carry you through every kilometre to the finish line.



NC PROFESSIONALS FC TO REPRESENT THE PROVINCE AT THE NATIONAL ABC MOTSEPE PLAYOFFS.

Congratulations to NC Professionals F.C for winning the Northern Cape League Playoffs, as they beat Jacksa F.C on penalties to officially secure their spot in the next stage of their ABC Motsepe League journey.

The Northern Cape based team will now compete against the best teams across South Africa for a chance to earn a promotion to the Motsepe Foundation Championship.

Goodluck to the team, keep believing, keep pushing and go make a mark on the national stage.



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4TH ANNUAL
**NORTHERN CAPE
PREMIER'S**
GOLF DAY



29 MAY 2026
SISHEN GOLF CLUB
KATHU

FORMAT: 2 BALL ALLIANCE BETTERBALL STABLEFORD

FOUR-BALL - R20 000
INDIVIDUAL - R5 000

CONTACT: DEUCE LEBURU 0836756422 / NALEDI GAOSEKWE 0674173648



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29 MAY 2026
SISHEN GOLF COURSE, KATHU

REGISTRATION: 8:00
RULES ANNOUNCEMENT: 9:00
SHOTGUN START: 9:30
PRIZE GIVING AND AUCTION: 17:00
DINNER: 18:00
INDIVIDUAL - R5 000
FOUR-BALL - R20 000



SCAN TO REGISTER

WHAT TO EXPECT?

- BETTER-BALL STABLEFORD
- R10 000 FOR A HOLE IN ONE
- WET-HOLES
- COFFEE STATION
- ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT/EXHIBITION
- PADEL-COURT FOR NON GOLFERS
- ENTERTAINMENT FOR NON GOLFERS
- CUSTOMISED GOLF APPAREL
- NETWORKING
- PRIZE FOR THE BEST DRESS NON GOLFER

ACCOUNT HOLDER: NCPG PMG: OFF OF PREMIER
STANDARD BANK-CURRENT- 063050943
BRANCH CODE - 050002
REFERENCE- YOUR NAME AND SURNAME
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**PROVINCIAL ADVERTISEMENT
NORTHERN CAPE OFFICE OF THE PREMIER**

CIVIC EDUCATION BRIGADES

The Northern Cape Provincial Government through the Office of the Premier seeks to recruit youth (ages of 18 to 35) with a Grade 12 certificate to assist with the 2026 Civic Education Drive. The successful applicants will be placed in the five (5) Districts within the Department of Social Development district office and will be required to enter into a 24 months' employment contract. Language proficiency in the District you are applying for would be an advantage (English, Afrikaans, Isixhosa and Setswana). Youth with disability are encouraged to apply.

| Region/District | Position | Qualification required | Monthly Stipend | Reference No. | Hand deliver or post your application to |
|--|------------------------|--|-----------------|---------------|---|
| Frances Baard | Supervisor X2 Posts | National Diploma (NQF level 6) with at least 3 years supervisory experience. An advanced Computer Literacy Certificate will be an added advantage. | R12 500 | SVUB/FB/2026 | Office of the Premier DSC Office Block 69 Memorial Road, Monument Heights Kimberley 8301 |
| ZF Mgcawu (10 positions) | Vota Lutsha Brigade | Grade 12 Certificate. A Post Matric qualification and a Certificate in basic Computer Literacy will be an added advantage. | R7500 | VUB/ZFM/2026 | Cnr Nelson Mandela Avenue & Upington 26 Road Upington, 8800 Ms. Martha Clarke – Head of Communication ZFM District Municipality 072 696 4758 |
| Frances Baard (10 positions) | Vota Lutsha Brigade | Grade 12 Certificate. A Post Matric qualification and a Certificate in basic Computer Literacy will be an added advantage. | R7500 | VUB/FB/2026 | Office of the Premier T&I Office Block 69 Memorial Road, Monument Heights Kimberley |
| Pixley Ka Seme (10 positions) | Vota Lutsha Brigade | Grade 12 Certificate. A Post Matric qualification and a Certificate in basic Computer Literacy will be an added advantage. | R7500 | VUB/PKS/2026 | Mr. Mfazwe Mkhonto. Office of the Mayor: Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality. Culvert Road Industrial Area De Aar, 7000 071 401 8595 |
| Namakwa (10 positions) | Vota Lutsha Brigade | Grade 12 Certificate. A Post Matric qualification and a Certificate in basic Computer Literacy will be an added advantage. | R7500 | VUB/NMK/2026 | Ms. Joedine Cloete Head of Communication: Namakwa District Municipality. HJ Visser Building, Van Riebeeck Sreet Springbok, 8240 083 945 8667 |
| John Taolo Gaetsewe (10 positions) | Vota Lutsha Brigade | Grade 12 Certificate. A Post Matric qualification and a Certificate in basic Computer Literacy will be an added advantage. | R7500 | VUB/JTG/2026 | Ms. Dineo Leserwane Head of Communication: JTG District Municipality. 4 Federale Mynbou Street, Kuruman, 8460 082 382 7858 |

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HOW TO APPLY:

Applications must be submitted on the new application for employment form (Z83). The new form can be downloaded at www.dpsa.gov.za -vacancies or obtainable from any Public Service Department and should be accompanied by a comprehensive CV specifying all qualifications, experience (if any) with respective dates and copies of qualifications. Applications submitted using the old Z83 form will not be accepted. No faxed, e-mailed or late applications will be accepted. **Clear indication of the District Office and reference number that is being applied for must be indicated on your Z83. Applicants can hand deliver application forms at the District Offices mentioned above.** All shortlisted candidates will further be subjected to a personnel suitability check which includes criminal record checks and verification of qualifications. Due to the large volume of applications anticipated, receipt of application will not be acknowledged and correspondence will be limited to short-listed candidates only. If you have not been contacted within eight (8) weeks after the closing date of this advertisement, please accept that your application was not successful. All applications, including those submitted via registered mail must reach the department before 16:00 on the day of the closing date. **Applicants are required to declare if they are currently employed in any Government Developmental Programme (Internship/Learnership).**

Please email cv's to:

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Email: vubzfm2026@ncpg.gov.za (ZF Mgcawu)

Email: vubpks2026@ncpg.gov.za (Pixley Ka Seme)

Email: vubjtg2026@ncpg.gov.za (John Taolo Gaetsewe)

Email: vubnmk2026@ncpg.gov.za (Namakwa)

Closing Date: 29 May 2026