

Media Release

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For attention Editors and Journalists

DEPARTMENT OF SPORT, ARTS AND CULTURE HOSTS INDIGENOUS GAMES 2022 IN MOPANI AND CAPRICORN DISTRICTS

As part of the Mass Participation Programme, the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture host Indigenous Games on annual basis to promote social cohesion and nation building and to further celebrate and revive the historic cultural activities. In a quest to put together a solid team and allow selection of district teams which will then proceed to compete at Provincial games and subsequently form part of the Provincial Team which will represent the Province at National level, the Department will commence with Indigenous games in all the 5 districts of the province in the month of August, starting off with Mopani and Capricorn.

The games impact positively on socio-economic issues such as African identity and preservation of indigenous heritage activities and promotes cultural diversity. Furthermore, the games encourage healthy lifestyle and discourage unwanted social behaviour by keeping the youth engaged. The sporting codes include the rich indigenous heritage games such as, Morabaraba, Jukskei, Dibeke, Ncuva, Khokho, Diketo, Kgati, Intonga and Drie Stokkies. **The 2022 District Indigenous Games will be held as follows:**

MOPANI DISTRICT:

Date: 06 August 2022

**Venue : Shawela Sport Grounds,
Shawela Village,
Greater Giyani Municipality,
Mopani District**

Time : 09:00 (Games starts)

CAPRICORN DIS

Date : 06 August 2022

**Venue : Eldorado Sport Complex
Eldorado Village
Blouberg Local Municipality
Capricorn District**

Time : 09:00 (Games starts)

The revival of Indigenous Games in the province, evolved as a response to the national call to embrace African Renaissance in the quest for celebrating and offering recognition to cultural identity in Sport and Recreation sector.

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