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DSAC PROMOTES SPORT FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY – TEAM LIMPOPO SPECIAL OLYMPICS GAMES PREPARATIONS

The Limpopo Department of Sport, Arts and Culture in collaboration with Special Olympics South Africa will host the sporting games for people with disability. The initiative strives to create equal opportunities for athletes with intellectual disabilities; and create a better world by fostering the acceptance and inclusion of all people in sport. The Provincial Games of people with intellectual disabilities is a culmination of the district games held during the month of April as part of Team Limpopo preparations.

The games will determine the participants to represent the province of Limpopo during the National Special Olympics Games to take place in Polokwane. Through sporting activities, people with intellectual disabilities discover the new strengths, abilities, and skills.

The Special Olympic Provincial Games are scheduled as follows.

Date : 26 May 2022 Venue : Peter Mokaba Stadium in Polokwane : Polokwane Municipality, Capricorn District Time : 10:00

The official announcement of Limpopo Province being the host of the esteemed National Special Olympics Summer Games was made in November 2021 during the celebration of International Day of People Living with Disability (IDPWD) led by Dr Mathews Phosa, the Chairperson of Special Olympic South Africa.

Special Olympics is a global inclusion movement using sport, health, education and leadership programs every day around the world to end discrimination against and empower people with intellectual disabilities. Founded in 1968, and celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year, the Special Olympics movement has grown to more than 5 million athletes and Unified partners in more than 170 countries. With the support of more than 1 million coaches and volunteers, Special Olympics delivers Olympic type and over 108,000 games and competitions.

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