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Africa Month Commemorations kicks-off in Limpopo

Limpopo Province will embark on a programme with a series of activities in commemorating Africa month with the aim of promoting social cohesion and nation building across the borders of South Africa. The year's programme will be hosted under the theme under the theme *"The Year of OR Tambo: Building a Better Africa and a Better World".* As part of Africa Month celebrations in Limpopo, communities from different parts of the continent such as Mozambique, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Somalia are expected to participate in the Limpopo Africa month programme.

During Africa month African countries celebrate amongst others their traditions, beliefs, arts and culture through creative expression such as cultural performances, heritage, architecture, language, food and practices. The Limpopo Government through the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture with its partners scheduled the to host various events throughout the province to celebrate this month, as follows;

ACTIVITIES	DATE	Time	VENUE
Sefako Makgato Public Lecture: Celebrations	23 May 2017	18:00	Lebowakgomo Civic Centre, Lepelle
of the Life of one of the Liberation Struggle			Nkumpi Municipality, Capricorn
Icon.			District
Africa Day Lecture : Celebrating Limpopo	25 May 2017	10h00	University of Venda, Thulamela
Provincial Africa Day			Municipality, Vhembe District
Soccer Matches: Soccer Match between MPL's	25 May 2017	12h00	University of Venda, Thulamela
and coordinated foreign team & MEC's V/S			Municipality, Vhembe District
Vhakhegula-Vhakhegula including local teams			
Music, Craft, Food & Fashion Show: Hosting	27 May 2017	10h00	Tivumbeni Multi-Purpose centre,
of Music, Craft and			Nkowankowa, Greater Tzaneen
			Municipality, Mopani District

The Month of May is recognised as Africa Month, to celebrate the founding of the Organisation of African Unity on 25 May 1963, it was on this date that the 25 May was declared as Africa Day as a symbol of unity amongst all Africans. The Organisation of African Unity (OAU), the precursor to the African Union (AU) comprises of 54 Member states. Africa Month also acknowledges the progress that we, as Africans, have made in the continent in addressing collectively the challenges that we face such as armed conflict, climate change, and poverty

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