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DSAC TO LAUNCH THE XITSONGA ANCENTRAL VOICES PROJECT IN SHILUVANE

As part of intensifying the Decade of Indigenous Languages, the Limpopo Department of Sport, Arts and Culture together with the South African Heritage Publishers have embarked on a massive project of ancestral voices. The project is aimed at promoting reading and writing in indigenous languages whilst making communities aware of the great work done by the writes of the unique 891 writings done between 1920 and 1950 by African authors.

In Mopani the launch is scheduled to take place at Shiluvane village in the Greater Tzaneen Municipality area at the Presbyterian Church in recognition of the role played the church in the development of writings of the Xitsonga language.

This is the second phase of the project as Vhembe has already launched the project in the last financial year. The Xitsonga launch will be followed by the Sepedi Ancestral voice launch, which is scheduled to be implemented in Makhuduthamaga, Jane Furse Lutheran Church in Sekhukhune later in the third quarter. In Mopani District, the event is scheduled to take place as follows.

Date : **10 August 2023**
Time : **09h30**
Venue : **Shiluvane Presbyterian Church, Shiluvane Village**
Greater Tzaneen Municipality, Mopani District

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