Boipatong Massacre

19th Anniversary

Executive Mayor of
Sedibeng District Municipality
Cllr. Mahole Simon Mofokeng,

SEDIBENG DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

EMFULENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

LESEDI Local Municipality / Plaaslike Munisipaliteit

MIDVAAL LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

17 June
09h00
Boipatong Stadium

Performances by
Ntjapedi + Tear Gas
Teboho (Bapa le nna)

Sedibeng commemorates the 19th & 35th Anniversaries of the Boipatong Massacre & the June, 16 1976 respectively

The people of Sedibeng and South Africa will be observing the 19th anniversary of the commemoration of the 17th June 1992 Boipatong Massacre - the massacre that left many innocent people maimed and killed and houses and shacks destroyed. The Sedibeng District Municipality is pleased to announce that this year's commemorative events/activities will be observed in partnership with the organisations representing the families of the victims, the Aaron Mokoena Foundation and P Management.

On this day, the Sedibeng District Municipality Executive Mayor, Cllr. M. S. Mofokeng will report to the people of Sedibeng, the Sedibeng District Council's vision following the 2011 Local Government Elections and his plans for the first 100 days in office.

We invite members of the public to join the Executive Mayor, Members of Council and the families of the heroes and heroines, victims and survivors in the commemoration of this massacre which shook the world and nearly brought the CODESA negotiations to an end.

The commemoration this year will be held on Friday, 17th June 2011, at 09:00 at the Boipatong Stadium and it will begin with the sermon at the graveyard, taking place under the theme "Consolidating Governance in Sedibeng"

This programme comes a day after the nation commemorated and observed another important day, the 35th anniversary of June 16th, 1976. In Sedibeng, this day is remembered through various youth programmes intended to afford the Council a platform to interact with all young people in the Region on matters affecting them.

The 19th Anniversary of Boipatong Massacre this year will be commemorated through various activities throughout June month, such as:

- Wreath laying at Vuka Cemetery, 17th June 2011 at 08:00;
- Official opening of the Molete Family House, 17th June 2011 at 09:00;
- Distribution & hand-over of 125 blankets which will be handed over to the identified old people, 17th June 2011 at 11:00;
- Distribution & hand-over of school uniforms to the identified needy children from the Makapane Primary School, Aaron's former school, 17th June 2011 at 13:00

As part of ensuring that a lasting legacy is left for the youth of Sedibeng, the Sedibeng District Municipality and the Aaron Mokoena Foundation will on the 18th June 2011 host the Aaron Mokoena Mini Tournament. Six Teams (6) and the Makapane Primary School will participate in the under 15 soccer tournament to be held at the Boipatong Stadium.

The winning two teams will be provided with soccer kits and the others will be provided with the medals for their participation in this Commemorative Tournament. In addition to these prizes, 120 participating players will be offered training in computer literacy and life skills by Youth Life Organisation from Boipatong and two coaches will be identified to undergo training in the United Kingdom.

People are encouraged to book and make all the transport arrangements to the venue with their Local Ward Councillor and/or Sedibeng District Municipality Office of the Executive Mayor.

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