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Gauteng premier David Makhura and mayor of Emfuleni Gift Moerane hard at work with the Sharpeville community during the clean-up campaign.

Good Green Deeds campaign in Northern Cape

Minister calls for community to commit to keeping their environment and country clean

The Northern Cape leg of the Good Green Deeds campaign kicked off with a clean-up event in Kimberley. The clean-up was led by the minister of tourism Derek Hanekom, premier of the Northern Cape Sylvia Lucas, MEC of environment & nature conservation Pauline Williams

and executive mayor of Sol Plaatjie district municipality Patrick Mabilo.

Three areas were covered in the operation, including Coleville and Galeshewe, where hundreds of community members joined dignitaries in cleaning up the community.

Hanekom said it all starts with loving our country.

"Everyone wants to live in a clean country, and it takes all of us to make an effort. People shouldn't litter, period, and it comes down to awareness and education. This is why the Good Green Deeds campaign is so

important because it educates people about maintaining a clean environment."



Community members who participated in the clean-up activity.

KZN heeds presidential call to keep SA clean

By **Gaopalelwe Moroane**

Over 2,000 volunteers from seven wards in Msunduzi municipality in Pietermaritzburg heeded President Cyril Ramaphosa's call to keep SA clean and pick up litter in areas across the country as part of the Good Green Deeds campaign which was launched across the country on Friday March 8.

Leading the KwaZulu-Natal leg of the launch was Msunduzi municipality mayor Themba Njilo, who launched the campaign in ward 14, in Willow-

fontein. One of the biggest issues that the municipality faces is illegal dumping, and as part of the day's proceedings, the mayor cleaned up a site that had been riddled with illegal dumping for what communities claim to be a very long time.

ter, lorries and tractors were used to clean up the site, which is located just metres from the Willowfontein River.

In addition to picking up lit-

The official Good Green Deeds mascot, Billy Bin, was also handed over to the municipality.



Msunduzi municipality mayor Themba Njilo hard at work leading a cleanup at one of seven of the wards in the municipality as part of the Good Green Deeds campaign launch.



The Good Green Deeds mascot Billy Bin was also in Pietermaritzburg for the KwaZulu-Natal launch of the Good Green Deeds. He is pictured here with director: waste policy and information management Anben Pillay.

Premier commits to keeping Gauteng clean

By **Zibuse Ndlov**

"Every Thursday there will be a Good Green Deeds campaign in Gauteng, working towards keeping Gauteng and SA clean."

These were sentiments shared by Gauteng premier David Makhura during the mini launch of Good Green Deeds in Sharpeville at the Emfuleni local municipality on March 8.

"The areas cleaned today must remain clean, and illegal dumping spots should be turned into community parks," he said.

Makhura assured the community that the province would distribute 20,000 dustbins in Emfuleni. The Good Green Deeds programme will bring economic value to the country by diverting waste away from landfills.

The programme will also provide considerable social, economic and environmental opportunities for the country, including job creation and enterprise development.



Sharpeville community members getting ready to do Good Green Deeds at Emfuleni local municipality.



Community members with the official waste mascot Billy Bin in Sharpeville.



Members of the community cleaning at one of the clean-up



North West premier Tebogo Job Mokgoro.



MEC Motlalepula Rosho outlining the purpose of the day.

North West province gets its own Good Green Deeds launch

The North West province earmarked the town of Mahikeng to be used for its Good Green Deeds launch on 8 March 2019, on the same day as the main launch in the Eastern Cape and other provinces.

A marquee was erected at the Bradford taxi rank, where a brief formal programme unfolded and MEC for economic development, environment & tourism Motlalepula Rosho informed the community about the launch.

Executive mayor of Mahikeng, Betty Diakanyo, thanked and congratulated the premier, who saw it fit that the Good Green Deeds should be launched in Mahikeng. "What makes it special for us is that it is on the International Women's Day," said Diakanyo.

She promised that as women they will ensure that the town stays clean.

The premier, Tebogo Job Mokgoro, told the people of Mahikeng that they were all equal in sharing responsibilities. He said they have to uphold the legacy and qualities of the late former president Nelson Mandela.

"It is this level of enthusiasm which should determine our quality of life" said Mokgoro.

He further mentioned the Rwandan example and compared SA to this East Africa country. He said while we celebrated our democracy in 1994, Rwanda was in the middle of a genocide, but today SA can only dream of the level of cleanliness that is in that country.



An old carpet lining was found embedded in the lake, obstructing water flow.



