

MEC for Social Development deeply concerned over continuing incidents of Gender Based Violence.

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The MEC for Social Development, Mme Nkakareng Rakgoale, has expressed concern over the continuing incidents of Gender Based Violence in Limpopo. This after a seven-year-old girl was raped and sustained serious injuries in Serageng village in Nebo. The victim is now in the ICU fighting for her life.

"The continuing incidents of rape and abuse of women and children gives me an indication that some of our people out there are deliberately ignoring our Crime Prevention Awareness Campaigns. We are using the campaigns to spread messages about the danger and effects of Gender Based Violence and other criminal activities. We basically want to avert incidents of this nature at all costs.

I'm devastated about what happened to the seven-year-old girl. Our Social Workers are continuing to provide psychosocial services support to the family of the victim. We are once again calling on communities to be on high alert and help government in protecting our vulnerable women and children. The justice system must just deal harshly with the perpetrators of gender based violence, let's all stand up and say enough is enough." said Rakgoale.

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