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## For attention Editors and Journalists

## DSAC LAUNCHES LULAWAY ICT PILOT PROJECT IN THULAMELA IN THE VHEMBE DISTRICT

The MEC for Sport, Arts and Culture in Limpopo, Ms. Onicca Moloi invites members of the media to the Provincial launch of ICT Lulaway Pilot Project. This ICT initiative will provide unemployed youth with access to technology and information in order to take advantage of job opportunities. Furthermore, the ICT Skills play a crucial role in helping the youth to create more opportunities for themselves in terms of entrepreneurship.

In Limpopo, the three libraries; Thulamela Library in Vhembe District, Mokgalakwena in Waterberg District and Ga-Phaahla in Sekhukhune District; have been identified and equipped with the latest technology and data connections for all library users to access through Mzanzi Libraries Online project which has received funding from the Global Libraries Initiative of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The aim of the grant is to strengthen public libraries in providing new technologies such as computers, data and software and training in ICT to uplift local communities.

## The official launch ceremony is scheduled as follows:

Date	: 23 February 2018
Venue	: Thohoyandou Town Hall, Thulamela Municipality
	Vhembe District
Time	: 10H00

The Limpopo provincial launch follows the national launch by Lulaway and the National Library of South Africa on 12 September 2017 at Sharpeville Library, in Gauteng Province. Lulaway was born in 2011, and was converted into the first Lulaway Job Centres. Lulaway is the owners of internet cafes and todays runs over 160 Job Centres in all the nine provinces in South Africa. The purpose of this pilot project is to bridge the gap between employers and these high potential youth.

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