

## DEPUTY PRESIDENT MASHATILE PARTICIPATES AT THE 3RD NATIONAL MEN'S PARLIAMENT AND LAUNCHES 2023-2025 TAKUWANI RIIME PROGRAMME OF ACTION

TO: ALL MEDIA  
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For immediate release,

Deputy President Paul Mashatile, in his capacity as Chairperson of the South African National AIDS Council (SANAC), will tomorrow, Sunday, 19 November 2023, participate at the 3rd National Men's Parliament and officiate the launch of the 2023-2025 Takuwani Riime Men's Movement Programme of Action, scheduled to take place at Masia Village, Collins Chabane Local Municipality, Vhembe District.

The 3rd National Men's Parliament is organised through a resilient partnership which includes Government, Parliament and SANAC Men's Sector, and brings together leaders from across all spectrums of society, under the theme: "Term of Community Men's Parliaments" [#MenChampioningChange](#)

"Takuwani Riime" is a Tshivenda expression meaning "Let Us Stand Up Together", a clarion call for all men to stand up and be counted as meaningfully organised partners in the advancement of community safety, health and socio-economic development across the country.

Deputy President Mashatile will lead the Official Launch of the 2023-2025 Takuwani Riime Programme of Action, which represents a pivotal milestone in the Men's Parliament efforts to address the scourge of violence against women, and advance socio-economic development and promote men's health, with a special focus on the prevention of HIV/AIDS.

The 3rd National Men's Parliament will be preceded by the Traditional Council Men's Dialogue led by the National House of Traditional and Khoisan Leaders.

In recognition of organisations committed to Men Championing Change Programme, the Department of Social Development will present Certificates of Recognition to community-based organisations dedicated to developing and implementing programmes that support men and boys to deal with multiple social ills.

Deputy President Mashatile will be supported by Ministers, Deputy Ministers, the Premier of Limpopo, Members of the Limpopo Provincial Executive Council, Mayors and senior government officials.

Members of media are invited to cover the event and to confirm their attendance by sending their details (names and surname, ID or passport number and media house) to Sam Bopape on 082 318 5251 or Nдавhe Ramakuela on 082 200 5357.

The event will be divided into three sessions as follows:

- SESSION ONE: TRADITIONAL MEN'S COUNCIL AT MASIA TRADITIONAL COUNCIL

Time: 08h30 – 10h20

Venue: Masia Traditional Council, Collins Chabane Local Municipality, Vhembe District, Limpopo.

• SESSION TWO: PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION TO NPOs

Time: 08h30- 10h00

Venue: Masia Traditional Council Hall, Collins Chabane Local Municipality, Vhembe District, Limpopo.

• SESSION THREE: FORMAL PROGRAMME & LAUNCH OF THE 2023-2025 TAKUWANI RIIME MEN’S MOVEMENT PROGRAMME OF ACTION

Time: 11h00-14h00

Venue: Masia Village, Multi-Purpose Resource Centre, Collins Chabane Local Municipality, Vhembe District, Limpopo.

For media interviews prior to the event, please contact:

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