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RE: LIMPOPO CHILDREN IN CHARGE

Limpopo children proved to be the true future leaders that they are billed to become. The young participants took charge of the programme, showcasing their skills in programme directing and motivational speaking. From start to finish, they demonstrated their ability to take control and inspire others at the provincial event to celebrate National Children's Day. The event took place in Seokodibeng, Fetakgomo-Tubatse Municipality in Sekhukhune District.

The event showcased the incredible talent and potential of Limpopo's children, who proved to be the true future leaders they are destined to become.

Mini Miss Planet 2023, Ndaloenhle Sibanyoni, delivered an empowering message to her fellow black children, saying, "Black child, your dreams are valid. Even if it feels impossible, stay true to yourself, push hard enough. Someone will notice your effort. My motto has always been the same: 'books before boys because boys bring babies'."

Mr Thea Mohuba addressed important issues such as mental health, teenage pregnancy, and substance abuse. He expressed concern about the continuing problems that are perpetuated by adults on children. Mohuba highlighted the high number of pregnancies among children between the ages of 10 and 12, emphasising the need for self-control in men and proper supervision from parents or guardians. He also stressed the importance of children making good decisions about their lives.

Ms. Nandi Ndalane, Member of the Executive Council (MEC) responsible for Social Development, spoke on behalf of Premier Chupu Stanley Mathabatha. She said: "I would like all of us to acknowledge that every child has the right to a safe and nurturing environment, one that allows them to grow and develop to their fullest potential."

The Limpopo Provincial Government reiterated its commitment to creating a safe environment for children and nurturing their talents. The performances of poetry and musical items further highlighted the immense potential of the youth to make a positive impact in society. Some of the performing groups have even toured Europe and America over the past four years, showcasing their exceptional talent on an international stage.

The National Children's Day commemoration in Seikodibong was a testament to the remarkable abilities and potential of Limpopo's children. The Provincial Government will continue to support and empower the youth, ensuring they have the opportunities they need to thrive and succeed.

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