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MDM LEADS AN INSPECTION BLITZ TO FOOD HANDLING PREMISES IN GIYANI

The Mopani District Municipality's Environmental Health Practitioners, SARS officials, the SAPS and other sector departments who were led by the District's Executive Mayor Councillor Nkakareng Rakgoale and the Director for Community Services Dumisani Shithlangu, had a successful operation aimed at removing expired foodstuffs and other illegal items from shelves in a number of shops in the Giyani CBD on the 10th of September 2018.

The relentless efforts by the teams found that some shops are allegedly selling expired food to our communities. The confiscated foodstuffs will be disposed at an undisclosed location within the district. The operation follows a public outcry that was sparked by a video of expired groceries making rounds on social media platforms. There is now a national directive that Environmental Health Practitioners must embark on inspection blitzes within their respective municipalities.

Speaking to the media, the District's Executive Mayor Cllr Nkakareng Rakgoale, has indicated that it is important to note that the operation is targeting all shops in the towns and villages across the district municipality, irrespective of who the owners are. "we are here to check what is happening as we are accompanied by our health practitioners we want to check as to what kind of food is being sold to our people, as you can see some of the meat we have found here is rotten and it can't be, we are not fighting with them but we just want our communities to get value for money as they buy products from these shops." Said the Executive Mayor Rakgoale.





MEC FOR AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT VISIT A COOPERATIVE IN MOPANI



Limpopo MEC for Agriculture and Rural Development Basikopo Makamu, the Mopani District Municipality Executive Mayor Councillor Nkakareng Rakgoale and the Greater Giyani Mayor Councillor Sasavona Mathebula joined the Tanani Matiko Farming Cooperative run by disabled people in Shawela Village under Hosi Mahumani in celebrating casual day on the 07th of September 2018. The visit enabled MEC Makamu to have first-hand information on the successes and experience of the work done by the 19 members of the cooperative who are mainly women. MEC Makamu urged community members who are unemployed to emulate members of Tanani Matiko Cooperative and start farming projects as his department has programs available to assist deserving agricultural cooperatives. Members of the cooperative appreciate the level of support they are getting for the department of agriculture and other relevant sector departments. The dignitaries kick started the day's activities by ploughing some vegetable plants. Ploughing Equipments were also handed over to the cooperative by MEC Makamu.

