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# Bosiyo ba bahlanka ba ka sehlohong bo nyopisa dikopano tsa setjhaba Mangaung

Letsholo la ho tshwara dikopano tsa setjhaba masepaleng o moholo w a Mangaung le nyopile ho latela ho se be teng ha bahlanka ba ka sehloohong ba masepala. Ditho tsa setihaba di ile tsa nka qeto yah o qhala dikopano dibakeng tsohle tseo dikopano di

neng di lokela ho tswela pele ho tsona.

Morero wa dikopano e ne e le ho utlwa maikutlo a setjhaba mabapi le merero ya ntshetsopele le phano ya ditshebeletso tsa mantlha, esita le ho fumana dikarabo ho tswa masepaleng mabapi le tse phethilweng, tse tlang ho phethelwa esita le diphephetso tse ding tse teng tse setisang phethelo e feletseng ya merero ya setjhaba ke masepala.

Dikopano tsena di ne di hlophisitswe ke Komiti ya Masepala ya Matlole a Setjhaba, MPAC (Municipal Public Accounts Committee). Komiti e ne e memile baahi dibakeng tse fapaneng tsa Masepala wa Mangaung ho ba teng le ho nka karolo dikopanong tsena. Komiti e boetse ya tsebisa le ho mema Dihlooho tsa Mafapha a fapaneng ka har'a masepala ho ba teng dikopanong e le ho fana ka ditlhaloso tse batsi ditabeng tse tlang ho hlahiswa ke baahi.

Ho qadilwe ka ho hlophiswa dikopano Soutpan, Mangaung Holong ya Leslie Monnanyana, Botshabelo, holong ya NICRO mmoho le holong ya Samson Sefuthi. Ho bone ba tsona dikopano tsena ha di a ka tsa tswella ka katleho le ho tshohla ditaba ho latela sepheo. Sena se etsahetse hobane bahlanka ba ka sehlohong ba mmuso ha ba ka ba e ba teng dikopanong tsena le ha ba ne ba memilwe, ntle le Centlec e neng e emetswe ka tshwanelo. Le ha bahlanka ba bang ba masepala ba ne ba le teng dikopanong tsena empa ho latela boemo ba bona ba ne ba se boemong ba ho fana ka puo kapa ho ka arabela tse bang di ne di tla botswa ke setjhaba.

Ditho tsa komiti (balekgotlo) tse neng di eteletswe pele ke Modulasetulo Monghadi Itumeleng Makoloane mmoho le Sephadi sa Komiti Mme Pulane ...ba ne ba lebeletse hore Dihlooho tsa Mafapha a masepala ba tla ba tshehetsa 'kopnong tsena tsohle ka ha ba na le tsebo ya setekgeniki le boitsebelo mafapheng ao ba a eteletseng pele. Ka ntle ho bona 'kopano di ne di tla hloka moelelo.

Hoba Monghadi Makoloane a hlalose bosiyo ba Dihlooho tsa Mafapha, ho ile



Karolo ya letshwele Nicro hall ba neng ba sa thabelang ho utlwa hore bahlanka ba ka sehlohong ha ba iponahatsa kopanong.

ha utlwahala ho se kgotsofale le ho halefa dithong tsa setjhaba ka bosio bona ba bahlanka ba Masepala ba neng ba lokela ho tla araba dipotso le ho hlakisa ditaba tse ding tsa botsebi ntshetsopeleng le phanong ya ditshebeletso masepaleng. Baahi ba ile ba sisinya hore dikopano di se tswelle ka hoba ho ke ke ha thusa letho hobane Bahlanka ba phahameng ba lokelang ho tla fana ka 'tlhakisetso tse thehilweng hodima botsebi ha bayo.

Monghadi Makoloane o re ba ne ba hopotse hore dikopano tsena di tla tlisa kutlwisiso e tebileng ya mosebetsi o phethilweng, mosebetsi o ntseng o etswa, tse e song ho phethwe le diphephetso tse teng. O re hona ho ne ho tla thusa le masepala ho utlwa ka ho phethahala ho tswa setjhabeng ha bahlanka ba ikarabelang phethahatsong merero ya masepala. O re dikopano tsena di ne di tla tjhorisa boitokisetso ba bahlanka ba masepala ho phetha boikarabelo ba bona esita le ho thusa boradipolotiki masepaleng ho beha ditlhoko tse ding tse itseng ka sehlohong ho latela tse tshohlwilweng dikopanong tsena.

Ba (baahi) holong ya NICRO ba boetse ba hlalosa hore Makoloane le mokgopi wa hae ba tsamaye ho ya hlalosetsa bao ba sa iponahatsang hore ke ho hloka boikarabelo ho se iteanye le setjhaba, mme ba boela ba bolela ka kgalefo ha boradipolotiki ka hara masepala ba lokela ho hlaola boitshwaro bo sa dumeletsehang ba bahlanka ba ka sehlohong ba masepala.

E mong wa baahi, ya sa ratang ho ipolela o hlalositse hore ketso tse kareng tsena tsa ho itaola le ho se natse setjhaba ha bahlanka ba phahameng ba masepala ke leleng la matshwao a bofokodi masepaleng, haholoholo mokgatlong wa ANC. Ba kkgalemetse ditho tsa komiti ka thata – hore Lekgotla la Motse Mangaung le tsetsise tsamaiso masepaleng ka ho beha batho ba ikemiseditseng ho sebeletsa setjhaba ka mafolofolo le ka lerato. Ba boetse ba re ANC e lokela ho hlaola ka potlako bofokodi bona masepaleng ha e ba e shebile tshehetso dikgethong tse tlang.

Ho batho ba neng ba phuthehile dikopanong tsena ho ne ho kenyeleditse le magheku a neng a tl'o batla lesedi ditabeng tsa mobu le tefo ya ona. "Re swabile haholo ha e le mona re bitsitswa kopanong empa ho sa tswellwe peleka yona. Re ne re hopotse hore re tla tloha mona re hlaketswe dintlheng tseo re neng re hloka dikarabo ho tsona" Ho bolela Nkgono Martha Nkgwedi. Athe Nkgono Gladys Lephephelo yena o itse: "Ho gadilwe hantle ka thapelo, mme re ne re lebeletse hore re tla buisana le masepala ka tsela e ntle ya maikutlo a

phodileng, Hara tse ding re ne re laditse hot la utlwa ka taba ya tefo ya mobu. Re swabile haholo hore kopano e se tswelle le ho fela ka tsela e tjena.'

Ho hlakile hore masepala o lokela ho sebetsa ka thata ho tlisa momahano (synergy) maemong a fapaneng ka har'a masepala. Boradipolotiki Lekgotleng la Motse ba lokela ho ba le taolo le tshebedisanommoho e phethahetseng le bahlanka ba tsamaiso masepaleng. Sena se tla batalatsa tshebetso le ho tlisa neheletsano e phethahetseng ya boikarabelo.

the criminal economic and financial blockade and

unilateral sanctions against Cuba and Venezuela

and for the release of the Venezuelan diplomat,

# We stand firm with the Palestinian people

"The Palestinian people have embarked on an armed struggle, like us in South Africa when we formed uMkhonto weSizwe as part of our struggle to end colonial and apartheid oppression, economic exploitation and land dispossession.

Western imperialist aligned media call the Palestinian's armed struggle activities "completely unprovoked". They say the Palestinians, referring to Hamas, "infiltrated Israel". This is gibberish, as Israel is the aggressor.

For 75 years since the apartheid Israeli settler state was formed and expanded on Palestinian lands, it has conducted ethnic cleansing against the Palestinian people, unleashing pogroms on Palestinian people, constantly violating their human rights, and depriving them of their right to self- determination, among others.

We express our solidarity with the Palestinian people in their just struggle for the freedom of historical Palestine and national self-determination.

\*The Central Committee reiterated our solidarity with the people of Nicaragua, Cuba and Venezuela against imperialist aggression and destabilisation. We call for an immediate and unconditional lifting of

Alex Nain Saab Morán, by the imperialist regime of the United States.

Solly Mapaila, General Secretary of SACP (Picture: SACP/Twitter)

The United States, which occupies the Cuban territory of Guantanamo Bay, must end the foreign occupation immediately and unconditionally.

The SACP joins the united Syrian Communist Party and Syrian people in condemning the terrorist attack that targeted a graduation ceremony at a Military College in the western Syrian city of Homs. The attack resulted in at least 89 people

killed, including five children and 31 women, while over 250 people sustained injuries. It is clear the attack, in which a drone laden with explosives was used, is backed by international forces, probably imperialist regimes.

The SACP reiterates its call for the apartheid Israeli regime to end its occupation of the Syrian Golan Heights immediately and unconditionally. "

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### A Promising Pathway: 2022 Census Reveals Remarkable Progress Towards a United, Prosperous South Africa

# The African National Congress (ANC) welcomes the 2022 Census Report

The 2022 Census report has confirmed that significant progress has been made in building a new South Africa, where most South Africans from all walks of life can have a better life. This progress can be seen in several areas:

• The percentage of households that live in formal dwellings increased from 65.1% in 2011 to 88.5% in 2022.

This is a vast improvement, considering the poor state of our communities since 1994, when people lived in squalor. This improvement in quality of life aligns with the Freedom Charter's commitment to providing "houses, security, and comfort for all."

- The percentage of households with access to electricity increased from 58% in 1996 to 94.7% in 2022. This means that 94% of the country now has access to electricity, which is a significant achievement considering our nascent democracy and the competing needs of the developmental state.
- The percentage of households without access to piped water decreased from 19.7% in 1996 to 8.7% in 2022. A lot will be invested in improving water infrastructure through the Lesotho Highlands Project, the Giyani Water Project, and other interventions. Piped and clean water inside a dwelling is now the dominant method of receiving piped water.

The ANC recognises improving service

delivery, especially considering the significant population growth.

To this end, the 55th National Conference resolved to strengthen the political and administrative institutions to deliver on their mandate. This includes building effective integrated planning and service delivery systems.

The census is an invaluable tool that provides crucial data on a country's demographic, economic, and social aspects, which helps to plan and determine its needs effectively. Equally recent data by Statistics South Africa reveals that steady progress is being made, with a consecutive decrease in unemployment rates and a decline in annual consumer price inflation.

The government is moving towards addressing immigration concerns by establishing a border management agency.

The doors of learning are being opened widely with an increase in NSFAS provision. The future remains bright as our education system grows stronger.

Our pursuit of universal healthcare and the successful BRICS Summit further indicate this positive trajectory. Awarding title deeds is a testament to the country's commitment to restoring human dignity by providing shelter, housing security, and comfort.

The ANC's reflection and assessment of

its performance since the 2019 national elections reaffirm its commitment to the people. The ANC is moving towards fulfilling its mandate as a society leader by reconnecting with communities and reaffirming its social contract with civil society, business, youth, women, and faith-based organizations.

Through the 2019 Election Manifesto Review, we have been traversing the length and breadth of the country, engaging with citizens and reflecting on the progress made since the last election.

This critical programme enables the ANC to evaluate its better life for all agenda. The 2022 Census Report provides a comprehensive, qualitative, and quantitative answer.

The report highlights numerous achievements that instil hope and demonstrate that the ANC is a working organisation committed to the nation's growth and development.

The ANC is under no illusions that the country faces several urgent challenges. Among them are corruption, electricity supply issues, poverty, and unemployment.

To tackle these issues, progress is being made to strengthen the National Prosecuting Authority, the Independent Directorate, and the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation.

Additionally, we have implemented strict criteria for selecting candidates for leadership positions, intervening in local government issues, and creating a resilient economy that responds to the needs of our people.

The 2022 Census Report shows that progress is being made. This report is a clear indication of the ANC's commitment to improving the lives of our citizens.

It disproves the idea that the party has failed the people and that our country is declining. Instead, it highlights our significant strides since the 2019 elections and beyond.

We are determined to build on this progress and do more faster. We are working tirelessly to renew our organization and advance our societal transformation agenda.

With the 2022 Census Report as evidence of our progress, we remain steadfast in our commitment to creating a better, more prosperous, and more just South Africa.

The Census Report is a promising pathway and it reveals remarkable progress towards a united and prosperous South Africa.

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# Manollo ya dibuka e bohlokwa ntshetsopeleng ya puo

Nomsa De Wee, wa De We Production o re ba hlokometse hore hore hangata batho ba sebedisang dibuka le bana, mohlala

matitjhete le batswadi ba atisa ho lla ka tshebediso ya puo. O re dibuka ke mokgwa o mong wa ntshetsopele ya puo, mme e lokela ho nepahala le ho sebediswa ka mokgwa o makgethe.

"Re hlokometse hore hangata batho ba sebedisang dibuka le bana, mohlala matitjhete le batswadi, ba atisa ho lla ka tshebediso ya puo. Ke ka hona De Wee Production e kgethileng hore pele buka enngwe le enngwe e phatlalatswa, re meme matitjhete, basebeletsi ba di-library, hammoho le bahlahlobi ba dibuka ho shebisana mmoho ka tseo bangodi ba di phehileng."



Bongodi le manollo ya dibuka ke tiisetso ya ntshetsopele le kgodiso ya puo. Mohlophisi wa mosebetsi, Mme Nomsa De Wee (Qetellong letsohong le letona), mmoho le bankakarolo ba bang.

palo". O rialo ha a arabela potso ya hore ke dibuka tse kae tseo

O re ho kenyeleditswe dibuka tsa Setswana, Afrikaans le SeXhosa ha

mmoho le Sekgowa. "Re se re entse manollo ya dibuka tse 22 ka

De Wee Production e sebetsa mmoho le ditsebi tsa dingolwa ho manolla dibuka; Mme Puseletso Melupi, Ntate Mosolodi Mohapi le Dr Tauhadi.

ba seng ba kile ba di

lekola nakong ya jwale.

De Wee o re 'dibuka ke letlotlo ho bangodi ha mmoho le ho bana ba tlang ho dibala.' O re De wee Production e sebetsa mmoho le bangodi ba mashome a mararo projekeng ena, ba kenyeleditseng ka sehlohong Kgosatsana

Lethabo, Nomsa De Wee, Thandiwe Radebe, le Carol Mnukwa.

De Wee o re ba etsa tekolo ya dibuka tsa dipuo ho sa kgethwe, emapa Sesotho ho bona se ka sehlohong tekolong kapa manollong ya dibuka.

Mosebetsi wa marke NAC (National ya dibuka.

Mosebetsi wa manollo ya dibuka moraorao tjena o ne o tsheheditswe ke NAC (National Arts Council) ka projeke e bitswang 'Ditswakotleng'.

### A k'o leke ho hlalosa maele le dikapolelo tse latelang tsa Sesotho

- 1. 'Belo le a fela thota e sale
- 2. Basadi ke tau di mesana
- 3. Lefura la ngwana ke ho rongwa
- 4. Ho petla kgupa
- 5. Ho ja setoto ka lere
- 6. Phepheletsane hlobasemokotong
- 7. Ho hlaba kgora ka sefeamaeba

(Sheba dikarabo leqhepeng la 4)

#### International News

# No need for vitriolic remarks Chief Rabbi, please!

South Africa's Chief Rabbi, Dr Warren Goldstein, recently spoke on the current situation in Gaza. He spoke to an evidently minority audience of South Africans, about the human suffering meted out to the Israelis over the past few days. He however failed to pronounce on the sufferings of the Palestinians for equal or more proportions over many decades, including the recent suffering brought about by the current confrontation.

His remarks were unfortunate and will

not assist in the looming humanitarian crisis and against the escalation of atrocities from all sides. His selective perception of cruelty and empathy seem to contradict the very foundation of the Torah, regarding morality.

Further, comments like his will continue to provide the Zionists with a false reality and an anachronist perception of themselves, against the the



Dr Warren Goldstein

And the sudden diatribe against the ANC and government is difficult to comprehend! - In an attempt to make the 'script' plausible, he pulls the ANC in the maelstrom of his caustic statement and scoff at the government and President Cyril Ramaphosa's statement, evidently on supporting the Palestinian people who are even at this moment going through immense adversities.

This was a painfully myopic view and a divisive comment by the Chief Rabbi. It was quite unnecessary - a missed opportunity and failure to add to the voice of reason that could help ameliorate the situation and resolve the conflict than making a vitriolic harangue that was devoid of any rationality. Further, there is no point in speaking with contempt against South African government as it will not bring any solution to the situation. South African Government and the ANC embrace diversity and the Chief Rabbi's statement on

Government and the ANC is a hollow attempt to isolate the Jewish community from the majority South Africans and mobilise against the just cause of the Palestinians. Besides, many Jewish people embraced the struggle against apartheid in South Africa and are against colonisation and apartheid in the Palestine.

The Palestine's course is reminiscent to the course of the struggle of the black South Africans.

So, it is important that the majority of South Africans understand and draw parallels in the Palestine-Israeli question, lest they are deprived of the truthful account by those who have access and control on communication and information dissemination means, akin to the erstwhile apartheid disinformation and propaganda machinery that gave one-sided accounts of events and attempted to explain the struggle

of black people as unrealistic, unreasonable and insignificant.

An honest, fair and truthful account of events in Gaza would do the world, and South Africa's race relations much better in understanding the situation an effectively assist within her means, with an undoubted experience of the situation of course. It would do the affected much better than fan the fires of the conflict further. Regardless of race, human tragedy knows no race. Beyond attending to the current crisis, it will be important to denounce audibly oratories that tend to increase the tensions. South Africans have chosen the road of peace. There is still a long way to go though, but a possible catastrophe was averted in choosing a peaceful transition to democracy. So, peaceful solution is the right way to deal with the situation of the Palestinian people - and it is possible. No need to try and introduce a 'we and them' situation in South Africa, we are one nation, black and white, Jews and Gentiles!



# China adheres to common development, narrows the digital divide



Senior Communist Party of China official Cai Qi delivers a speech at the High-level Forum on Digital Economy of the third Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation, Beijing, China, October 18, 2023. /CMG

China adheres to common development and narrows the digital divide, said Cai Qi, a member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee and a member of the Secretariat of the CPC Central Committee, on Wednesday.

Cai made the remarks when attending a high-level forum on the digital economy, a part of the third Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation (BRF) held in Beijing.

Cai emphasized that the digital economy has become an

important engine for promoting global economic development and change.

He urged for the promotion of opening up and cooperation, expanding connectivity, adhering to innovation-driven development and enhancing growth momentum.

He also called on the world to stay true to multilateralism and improve global governance.

China will adhere to the path of peaceful development, promote the construction of the Digital Silk Road and utilize digital economic development to improve livelihoods, he said. CGTN

# Xi Jinping: China to promote green development to support high-quality Belt and Road cooperation

China will continue to promote green development as one of the major steps to support the joint pursuit of high-quality Belt and Road cooperation, Chinese President Xi Jinping said on Wednesday.

Xi made the remarks in his keynote speech at the opening ceremony of the third Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation (BRF).

He noted that the country will further deepen cooperation in areas such as green infrastructure, green energy and green transportation, and step up support for the Belt and Road Initiative International Green Development Coalition.

"China will continue to hold the BRI Green Innovation Conference, and establish dialogue and exchange mechanisms for the solar industry and a network of experts on green and low-carbon development," Xi said.

He added that China will implement the Green Investment Principles for the Belt and Road, and provide 100,000 training opportunities for partner countries by 2030. CGTN

# A mark of excellence

True to the saying 'perseverance is the mother of success', Kamogelo Mohale steadfastly worked towards reaching the goal she set for herself.

She wanted to make an impact in the Gymnastics SA National Competitions, in the division she participate in - Tumbling division. She represented the Western Cape at the Gym Games 2023 National Competitions and her hard work paid off - through an emphatic victory. She earned herself the coveted number one spot in Tumbling Level 6.

This was after her injury prevented her from competing in 2022. She was not deterred by the mishap, but trained very hard and her determination bore success.

Kamogelo is 15 years old Grade 9 learner at St Cyprians Girls School in Cape Town.



# The role of civics in the promotion of Primary Health Care (PHC) Report by Lechesa Tsenoli

#### Continued

#### The way forward

Zohra Ebrahim, coordinator of the National Interim Civic Committee (NICC) made the following remarks on the way forward which throw an important light on current civic work and thinking: The civics, like the health organisations, are also involved in struggles to build greater unity. Health is a problem for civics but it is not often viewed as an important priority.

It is therefore necessary to establish a formal relationship between a regional civic organisation and a health organisation regionally.

We need joint training programs between Civics and health organisations. These must meet the needs of the various areas for example, civics regionally may decide that the health problems at area A more crucial at a given point than those of area B.

Because the civics did not have the necessary technical skills they are often not in a position to counter schemes proposed to them. Planning disasters such as Khayelitsha could have been avoided. The township is apparently built on an important water source which has thus been rendered useless.

If coordination is done at regional level, however, the environmental impact of projects at regional level can be determined by all groups and organisations concerned.

The issue of democracy in relation to delivery of services is very important. You cannot move at a pace that does not allow the community to go with you. The process of consultation may be tedious but it is extremely necessary.

Funding proposals should not be passed without a process of consultation and joint planning with civics. The civics may not have the technical know-how but they certainly know what their problems are.

This does not suggest that health organisations are now going to submit all their proposals to the civics,

thus losing their independence. There is simply a need for cooperation.

Health priorities should be determined at a national level, especially in light of the funding situation. We must make sure that the state prioritises according to our agenda. In order to avoid prescriptive consultation, however, we should put forward proposals that are based on community consultation.

With regard to the Independent Development Trust (ITD), we are not in a position to reject it because there aren't enough alternative sources of funds available to us.

The workshop agreed the following:

- A unitary National Health Service that is controlled by, accessible to, and accountable to the grassroots organisation and representatives.
- Civics need to develop health objectives from local to regional and to the national level.
- Civics to establish health portfolios.
- Direct formal links between new unitary health body and civics need to be forged.

#### Conclusion

It is quite clear at the end of this workshop that people felt they had something very important because of time constraints could not finish the discussions properly.

handled with appropriate democratic sensitivity, and perhaps again using the PPHC network, the desire to discuss the role of civics in promoting PHC could be taken several strides further in the regions. The issue quite clearly holds immense organisational possibilities for both community and health organisations.

The barriers which obviously began to break at the conference must be dealt a further blow by creative follow up of the recommendations made.

# Rising Non-Communicable Diseases: A Looming Health Crisis, STATS SA

Non-communicable diseases (NCDs) have emerged as a major global health challenge, affecting millions of individuals worldwide.

A new report released by Statistics South Africa (Stats SA), Non-communicable diseases: Findings from death notifications (2008-2018), explores the changing landscape of NCDs in South Africa over time, highlighting key trends and insights.

Data from the World Health Organization (WHO) indicates a notable increase in NCDs like cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, respiratory diseases, and cancers. These diseases are major contributors to global morbidity and mortality.

Factors such as urbanisation, sedentary lifestyles, unhealthy dietary habits, tobacco use, and rising obesity rates have contributed to this upsurge. Cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes, and respiratory ailments constitute a significant portion of NCDs, presenting a growing public health challenge.1

In South Africa, deaths due to major non-communicable diseases (NCD) such as cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes and chronic lower respiratory diseases increased by 58,7% over 20 years, from 103 428 in 1997 to 164 205 in 2018. The median age at death in years was 65 for males and 69 for females. According to the data, males had higher ASMR than females for all the non-communicable diseases.

Edited information issued by STATS SA

### Tlhaloso ya maele a Sesotho

(Ho tswa Leqhepeng la 2)

- H o bolelwa bodutu bo tliswang ke botsofadi e le ha motho a sheba morao, a hopola tsa nako e fetileng ka motlotlo empa ka ho sarelwa
- 2. Basadi ke batho ba bohale haholo. Ba tshwantshwa le ditau(hadi) ka bohale le ka ho lwana ba sa tshabe letho.
- 3. Ngwana ke ya thabelang ho fuwa le ho phethisa ditaelo ke baholo ba hae. O hodiswa ke ho nna rongwa mme o ithuta ka seo.
- 4. Ho baleha
- 5. Ho iketla haholo
- 6. Motho ya jalang moferefere ka ho tshwaetsa maikutlo e le ka morero wa ho qabanyaya
- 7. Ho senya dijo

# **COMMENT**



The team in my office in parliament and a few staff from the Speaker's office and members will start a three-week course on speed reading straddling October and November!

The promise is a guarantee to dramatically increase our speed reading with comprehension. We are thereby raising the flag, shouting out for continuous strategic learning! We give notice too that we might require it for members and staff to be truly in good standing!

#### Free Palestine is our urgent global call!

Our leadership on this matter has been spot on! For the USA, Israel can't be wrong!

The caucus of the movement in Parliament visited the long walk to freedom exhibition in Century City, Cape Town. This is an expo of bronze statues of heroes of the struggle, first shown in Bloemfontein in 2012 during the centenary conference there!

Highly trained guides provide visitors with stories of the individuals memorialised there. It provides an appropriate list of biographies or memoirs written about these heroes and heroines that maybe available for reading to expand our political education. It is also an opportunity to suggest names of others deserving of similar treatment; also, a useful exercise for Know and Act in your neighbourhood to generate names deserving! Tourists to Cape Town must add to their list of places to visit to the open expo at Century City.

Political education is a dynamic process worth stimulating through these visits to the open art expo such as this one! Dali Tambo's art works a worth visits by schools, families and individuals to expand their knowledge of the history of their country!



# NEWS FROM PARLIAMENT



### Commonwealth Parliamentary Association's (CPA's) General Assembly resolution of changing the status of the CPA welcomed

#### Parliament, Sunday, 8 October 2023

The Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces (NCOP), Mr Amos Masondo has welcomed the resolution of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association's (CPA's)

General Assembly of changing the status of the CPA from a charitable organisation to a non-charitable organisation.

Mr Masondo together with the Speaker of the National Assembly, Ms Nosiviwe Mapisa-Nqakula led a highlevel delegation of the members of Parliament, speakers of the provincial legislatures and members of the provincial legislatures to the 66th CPA conference, which

was held in Accra, in Ghana this past week.

The change of status of the CPA will assist the organisation in moving to an inter-parliamentary level and stops benefiting only a few charities that are based in the United Kingdom (UK), it will now have a global impact. This resolution gives the CPA an opportunity to benchmark against international parliamentary organisations such as the Inter-Parliamentary Union in order to achieve the desired impact on the Commonwealth member countries.

Furthermore, the resolution means a possible relocation of the CPA

Secretariat from UK to one of the countries that has offered to host the secretariat. The CPA General Assembly instructed the Secretary General of the CPA, Mr Stephen Twigg, to write a letter to all member countries and inform them of the basic

criteria required if they wish to host the CPASecretariat. The General Assembly agrees that the issue of the legal status of the CPA should bе resolved within a period of 6 months with June 2024 being the

capacity to lead the CWP efficiently. The delegation also congratulates the Speaker of the Gauteng Provincial Legislature, Ms Ntombi Mekgwe, on receiving international recognition for the sterling work that she does in the Gauteng Province. Ms Mekgwe

> received an award as the best parliamentarian in the Commonwealth



recognition is a testament to the good work that the South African public

representatives are doing in their respective constituencies. Furthermore, this recognition inspires public representatives to ensure their work has an impact within those various communities. Doing impactful work that is in line with the Constitution of the country and its laws is what all public representatives should aspire



Ms Nosiviwe Mapisa-Ngakula and Amos Masondo

latest deadline timeframe.

The South African delegation wishes to congratulate Rwanda for assuming the Commonwealth Women Parliamentary (CWP) chairpersonship and Botswana for being elected as the vice-chairperson of the CWP. It is encouraging for the Africa region to assume leadership positions particularly on issues that advance the debate on issues affecting women. Leadership on these positions comes with certain responsibilities and obligations and South Africa has confidence that the region has enough

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### PARLIAMENT SHOULD STRENGTHEN OVERSIGHT TO ENSURE ACCELERATION OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Parliament, Monday, 9 October 2023

The Chief Whip of the National Council of Provinces, (NCOP), Mr Seiso Mohai, (Pictured), has called on Parliament to strengthen its oversight over the Executive to ensure that best practices and governance models from other countries translate into the acceleration of socio-economic development in South Africa.

Mr Mohai participated as a South African delegate in the 66th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference held in Accra, in Ghana from 30 September to 6 October 2023. He emphasised the importance of Parliament in ensuring that trade agreements that are brought to Parliament by the Executive should indicate how they address national interests.

Mr Mohai participated in the workshop under the theme: "What does sustainable trade and economic development mean for small jurisdictions?". He said the conference deliberated extensively on the issue of unbalanced trade relations in the African continent particularly in countries that are in the North of Africa and the bigger economies such as the United States.

The deliberations sought to encourage countries in the Africa region so they can

address the economic imbalances in the region. He said addressing these challenges is crucial particularly as Africa focuses on Agenda 2063, which focuses on Africa



continental free trade which requires the continent to be more coherent and emerge with a common approach in order to deal with common challenges that face it.

Mr Mohai said these deliberations call for South Africa to develop industrial policies that address inequality, promote inclusive economic activity to allow for greater economic opportunities and exploration and

provision of new industries through progressive funding models.

The challenge of inequality and unemployment still prevails in the Africa region. It necessitates the industrialisation of the economy to manage trade relations amongst the South-to-South countries. Mr Mohai believes that it is only through the expansion of industrialisation that job opportunities would be created where the majority of people would benefit in the developing countries. This means Africa needs to open its borders to ensure that free continental trade becomes a success.

Mr Mohai added that Parliament will need to have an efficient monitoring and evaluation model that ensures that resolutions taken at these multi-lateral forums are implemented. As an activist Parliament, it is important that the South African Parliament finds resonance with the concerns and frustrations of the people. Economic issues are dominant in the minds of the people and discussions on trade and trade agreements and the laws that govern them should be a priority for the

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# An Open Letter to the President of Columbia University, New York

By Zubeida Jaffer

The Palestinian question has been a point of interest for a long time. The recent events in Palestine have catapulted the Palestinians further into the international political debate for their just struggle for freedom and just struggle for freedom, self determination and return of their land. Many people have commented on the recent conflict between Hamas and Israeli Government.



Zubeida Jaffer, a renown South African journalist and activist responds hereunder to a remark made by the President of Columbia University, New York:

'Nelson Mandela once said that the Palestine issue is the greatest moral question of our time'.

Thank you for your letter addressed to Columbia alumni and friends on 10 October. I read it carefully, pondered over it and discussed it with other

friends who respect Columbia University, our alma mater.

These discussions did nothing to reduce a feeling of great disturbance at the core of my being.

I always have the hope that a university will lead from the front and provide an intellectual and academic framework that assists at times of great difficulty in this troubled world of ours.

Instead, your letter mentions only the attack on Israel and the sensitivities of the Jewish student organisation on campus.

By the time you had written the letter, Hamas had attacked Israel and Israel in turn had retaliated with an attendant loss of life. I am devastated that women, children and the elderly have not been spared.

I am sure you are aware that the current political dispensation is unjust and that the Palestinians have paid heavily with their lives of over many years.

I would have liked you to be even-handed and recognise that Columbia University's alumni and students come from a wide range of communities and countries.

I may be incorrect but I do not recall any of Columbia's former presidents being devastated when Israelis massacred Palestinians.

I serve on the alumni board of the J-school of Columbia University and I trust that your letter will not mean that journalists will be cautious in providing the public with balanced and truthful information. I watch with alarm as only one international news channel, Sky News, challenged the fake news that Hamas had decapitated babies.

The credibility of our profession is on the line. If it were not so tragic it is almost funny how the story that dominates large sections of the media is devoid of context and history. Now is the time that all those who work for peace must educate that false narratives greatly disempower all of humanity.

I urge you to assure us as alumni and students that our alma mater does not support the illegal notion that it is in order to treat Palestinians as animals and to impose a collective punishment on them. To cut off food, water, fuel, electricity for over two million people must register as an act of great inhumanity, a genocidal choice.

Then there is the bombing of airports of neighbouring countries reminding me how the apartheid state unleashed terror in the Southern African countries when they dared to support the anti-apartheid fighters.

Perhaps as a South African, this awful situation cuts very close to my heart. Nelson Mandela described the Palestinian issue as the greatest moral question of our time flowing from an injustice at the end of the Second World War.

A United Nations Resolution passed in 1982 when apartheid South Africa illegally occupied Namibia provides a legal framework that is interesting. It read as follows:

Gravely concerned at the continuation of the illegal occupation of Namibia by South Africa and the continued violations of the human rights of the peoples still under colonial and foreign domination and alien subjugation,

1. Calls upon all States to implement fully and faithfully the resolutions of the United

Nations regarding the exercise of the right to selfdetermination and independence by peoples under colonial and foreign domination;

2. Reaffirms the legitimacy of the struggle of peoples for independence, territorial integrity, national unity and liberation from colonial and foreign domination and foreign occupation by all available means, including armed struggle;

3. Reaffirms the inalienable right of the Namibian people, the Palestinian people and all peoples under foreign and colonial domination to self-determination, national

independence, territorial integrity, national unity and sovereignty without outside interference.

This international injunction guided us then and continues to remind us of our obligations to struggling people across the world. A few years ago I was part of a human rights delegation that visited both Israel and Palestine I had to accept that after witnessing the intense humiliation of South Africans by a minority government over many years and covering the genocide in Rwanda, I could no longer endure occupying a front seat as a journalist to an injustice of such great scale. Even when I visited the doctor, I was told the story of how the local authorities were bulldozing the homes of Palestinians in Tel Aviv. After 10 years of waiting for his plans to be approved a local architect went ahead with the building of his family home. It was a double-storey home and near completion when the authorities arrived one morning and flattened the home to the ground. It was all just too much.

Your letter forced me to share with you a different view held by millions protesting across the world and in your country.

Now more than at any other time, all of us have a responsibility to assist in bringing all this suffering to an end.

And it cannot be done by sending a message that only the pain and suffering of one side matters.

Journalists will be tested greatly and partly the end to this war will depend on the extent to which they tell the story fully.

In South Africa, we were always taught not to turn against white people but to turn against an unjust system that oppressed us. Similarly, I am not against the Israelis or Jewish people but I am strongly opposed to Zionism that seeks to paint Palestinians as less than human and traps Israelis in the role of oppressor. Surely all children, both Israeli and Palestinian, deserve to live in a just and fair system.

There is no fairness or justice currently and it is sad that Columbia University chooses to ignore that it had on its staff, Edward Said, the great Palestinian intellectual whose writing had always placed in context the nature of the crisis the world now faces. How too can the journalist fraternity forget that one of their own, Shireen Abu Akleh was murdered by an Israeli sniper less than two years ago. She was a renowned American Palestinian journalist who worked for Aljazeera for many years. Those who killed her still elude prosecution as her family battles on for justice.

I would like your leadership to be an awesome example of what a woman can do under difficult circumstances. It is for this reason that I have chosen to be forthright in the hope that you will not ignore a substantial part of Columbia's alumni and friends.

Sincerely,

Zubeida Jaffer Class of '96 Journalist, author, activist

# **SACP on Alliance reconfiguration - snippets**

"While we have hammered out some crucial aspects of this Alliance reconfiguration, such as consultation, including in manifesto review and drafting, our engagements continue on the most critical items, such as consensus on the content and direction of our shared strategy for the national democratic revolution, collective leadership of the revolution, and accountability to the Alliance, of those assigned with implementation responsibility in all key centres of power.

The Central Committee directed our structures and members to intensify the struggle for Alliance reconfiguration as our preferred modality for the 2024 election. We will continuously assess progress as we engage in the Alliance reconfiguration process. While we acknowledge the commitment expressed by our Alliance partners to reconfigure and renew the Alliance, we also recognise the primacy to strengthen our own independence and capacity to achieve our historical mission as the Communist Party. We are simultaneously forging a popular left front and building a powerful socialist movement. This is a strategic imperative, not a "Plan B" or an alternative to the Alliance.

Forging a popular left front and building a powerful socialist movement is an unyielding battle cry for the working-class to fight for the achievement of its immediate aims and enforcement of its momentary interests, while pushing vigorously to build capacity for, momentum towards, and elements of socialism in the here and now.

This must turn the tide against neoliberal stranglehold on the neck of our economic policy space. It is an insurance for defending, advancing and deepening the national democratic revolution to achieve its true objectives.

We are cognisant that the Alliance reconfiguration process does not occur in a vacuum or in the space where there is no resistance. We will meet those who seek to discredit and defeat this process in the real theatre of class struggle. Our message is clear. Successful outcomes on Alliance reconfiguration will not come from boardroom engagements only but require an intensification of the class struggle at all levels and on all fronts. To forge a popular left front and build a powerful socialist movement is therefore not in contradiction but in perfect alignment with our mission to reconfigure the Alliance.

We are mindful that investing all our energies and hopes in a favourable outcome on Alliance reconfiguration only from within will contradict our principles of analytical alertness, tactical flexibility, and strategic consistency. Our political policy does not lock us in timeless exercises that do not come to fruition. It paves the way for us to contest future elections directly, besides the Alliance or a popular left front and the socialist movement.

Beyond the Alliance engagement process towards the 2024 election, the reconfiguration of the Alliance is therefore still guaranteed as a matter of struggle. If it does not occur from within, then it will occur from without. This shall be our path to reconfigure the Alliance if, eventually, its reconfiguration does not materialise from inside."



# NAKBA is happening again in PALESTINE

By Dr Lehlohonolo Kennedy Mahlatsi

النكبة تتكرر مرة أخرى في فلسطين alnakbat tatakarar maratan 'ukhraa fi filastin

Israel has killed more Palestinians in Gaza in nine days than it did over the course of 50 days during "Operation Protective Edge" in 2014, which, up until today, had been one of Israel's deadliest offensives on Gaza since the beginning of its siege in 2007. The ministry added that since Saturday, October 7, 47 Palestinian families, numbering 500 people, including dozens of children and infants, have been wiped out by Israeli airstrikes. Israeli communications minister pushes to shut down Al Jazeera offices. Protests across Europe, U.S., Africa and the Middle East grow in support of Palestine.

Palestinian Authority-owned Wafa news agency reported that dozens of Palestinians were laid to rest on Sunday in a mass grave in Gaza City. Palestinians in Gaza have been reporting bodies piling up in the streets and outside hospitals, as Gazans struggle to bury their dead due to the sheer number of casualties and lack of space. Over the weekend, dozens of Palestinians were killed by Israeli airstrikes as they fled to southern Gaza along designated "safe routes," following orders on Friday by the Israeli army to evacuate 1.1 million Gazans out of northern Gaza. Despite video and eyewitness testimony corroborating the reports that civilian vehicles and trucks were targeted while evacuating, the Israeli army has denied the reports.

In a statement concerning the ongoing rapid escalation of military confrontation between Hamas and Israeli forces, the Communist Party of Israel (MAKI) and Hadash blamed the criminal occupation policy of the far-right Netanyahu regime, underlining the grave dangers that it poses for the peace in the region. MAKI and Hadash put the full responsibility on the fascist right-wing junta for the sharp and dangerous escalation that claimed the lives of many innocent citizens. The statement reads:

"The fascist right-wing government's crimes to perpetuate the occupation are leading to a regional war that must be stopped. Even in difficult days like this – we repeat and voice an unequivocal condemnation of any harm to innocent civilians, and call for their removal from the bloodshed. We send our condolences to all the families of the victims of the occupation, Arabs and Jews alike", the statement reads.

According to the human rights group Euro-

Med Monitor, Israel is killing an average of 14

Palestinians every hour in Gaza. The group added that since October 7, Israel has dropped the equivalent of one-quarter of a nuclear bomb on Gaza. Gaza is one of the most densely populated areas on the planet, with 2.3 million Palestinians, half of whom are children, living in an area of about 139 square miles. Israel's attacks have also destroyed 2,650 residential buildings, 65 government buildings, and 18 mosques, according to Euro-Med Monitor. The attacks have also caused severe damage and destruction to approximately 70,000 residential units, 71 schools, 145 industrial facilities, 61 media headquarters, and dozens of ancient churches and mosques. On October 17, at least 500 Palestinians (mostly women and children) have been killed in an Israeli air strike on the al-Ahli al-Arab hospital in Gaza City.

Israel ordered the besieged population in the northern half of the Gaza Strip to evacuate to the south, warning that it would soon intensify its attack on the Strip's upper half. The UN has warned that the flight of people from the northern part of Gaza to the south will create "devastating humanitarian consequences" and will "transform what is already a tragedy into a calamitous situation." Over the last week, Israel's violence against Gaza has killed more than 1,800 Palestinians, injured thousands, and displaced more than 400,000 within the strip. And yet Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu promised this is "only the beginning".

Israel's campaign to displace Gazans-and potentially expel them altogether into Egypt is yet another chapter in the Nakba, in which an estimated 750,000 Palestinians were driven from their homes during the 1948 war that led to the creation of the State of Israel. Indeed, Israel's genocidal assault on Gaza is quite explicit, open, and unashamed. Perpetrators of genocide usually do not express their intentions so clearly, though there are exceptions. US President Joe Biden has managed to start a process of rekindling perceptions of American hypocrisy, double standards, and a penchant for cultural narratives that have not served it well historically and will not serve it well at this particular juncture in the region's history. These narratives perhaps only serve those actors seeking blood.

The sanctity of life may, in principle, be extended to all, but the sanction to destroy it with impunity has been appropriated by colonial states whose very existence demands the utter dehumanization of their victims. The inhuman and annihilating excess of organized state force, whose untold destructive powers are now unfolding in total violence on the helpless people of Gaza, can never be morally equated with even the most atrocious acts of the colonized committed in the hope of liberation from an unbearable colonial regime. Any demand that the colonized desist from the use of armed force, a right in any case guaranteed to them under international law, becomes arrant hypocrisy in the face of the technical storm inflicted by state powers. Dread at the unconscionable fate still to come for Palestinians in Gaza and across historic Palestine is matched only by revulsion at the sanctimonious pronouncements that mask absolute evil in the guise of righteous outrage.

Meanwhile, a group of Democratic House members are introducing a resolution that calls on the Biden administration to push for an immediate ceasefire in Israel and Palestine. The proposed legislation also calls on Biden to promptly send humanitarian aid to Gaza. The resolution is led by Representatives Cori Bush (MO-D), Rashida Tlaib (MI-D), André Carson (IN-D), Summer Lee (PA-D), and Delia Ramirez (IL-D.) So far, it is backed by Reps. Jamaal Bowman (NY-D), Bonnie Watson Coleman (NJ-D), Chuy García (IL-D), Jonathan Jackson (IL-D), Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (NY-D), Ilhan Omar (MN-D), Ayanna Pressley (MA-D), and Nydia Velázquez (NY-D).

In his statement, Cori Bush said the following:

"I am grieving for every Palestinian, Israeli, and American life lost to this violence, and my heart breaks for all those who will be forever traumatized because of it. War and retaliatory violence doesn't achieve accountability or justice; it only leads to more death and human suffering......Today I am introducing the Ceasefire Now Resolution, vital legislation that calls for deescalation and an immediate ceasefire in Israel and Occupied Palestine, and for humanitarian assistance to urgently be delivered to the 2.2 million people under siege and trapped in Gaza. The United States bears a unique responsibility to exhaust every diplomatic tool at our disposal to prevent mass atrocities and save lives. We can't bomb our way to

peace, equality, and freedom. With thousands of lives lost and millions more at stake, we need a ceasefire now."

A number of hospitals in the besieged strip have been rendered out of order due to Israel imposing a complete siege on Gaza as well as the high number of wounded patients. The hospitals have also suffered damage in the ongoing Israeli bombing. The Israeli military ordered 22 hospitals' staff and patients in the northern half of the strip to head south as it continued to lay waste to entire neighbourhoods and its soldiers gathered at the border in what appears to be preparation for a land invasion. Last week, the Israeli regime put Gaza under a "complete siege," cutting off electricity, food, fuel and water. The World Health Organisation (WHO) warned that Israel's evacuation orders to hospitals in northern Gaza are a death sentence for the sick and injured and that forced evacuation of hospitals may amount to a violation of International Humanitarian Law.

On 20 May 2021, scholars of genocide, mass violence, and human rights, stood with Palestinian victims of Israeli state violence in Gaza and across Israel-Palestine. They expressed their moral and intellectual responsibility to centre the voices and perspectives of victims and survivors of state violence. They noted that history of Palestinians and the ongoing Israeli state violence against them since the Nakba in 1948 have been marginalized for far too long. They called on governments, the United Nations, the European Union, and the International Criminal Court to: work to protect Palestinians in Israel, under Israeli occupation in the West Bank and in East Jerusalem, and in Gaza now and in the future. End support for Israeli military aggression. Hold accountable all those responsible for documented war crimes and human rights violations.

For 75 years, that the Nakba of 1948 never ended. It has continued for 75 years, every single day. In the crowded refugee camps of Gaza, the alleyways of Jerusalem, the hills of Haifa, and the corners of Jenin. But today feels different. As millions of Palestinians in the West Bank, Jerusalem, and across the diaspora watch their people in Gaza be expelled en masse while Israel destroys their homes and slaughters those who remain, the only words that people can muster, "NAKBA IS HAPPENING AGAIN."

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South Africa

The South African National Census of 2022 is the 4th comprehensive census performed by Statistics South Africa (Stats SA). The census results were released on 10 October 2023 and recorded a total of 62 million people in the country.

The Census 2022 results show that the population of South Africa was 62 million in 2022, increasing from 51,7 million in 2011. This represents an average annual growth rate of 1,8% between the two periods,

#### Population

which is the largest since 1996. Gauteng remained the province with the highest population (15 million), while Northern Cape has the smallest population at 1,3 million.

About 56% of the country's population lives in three provinces, namely Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal and the Western Cape. The Western Cape has moved from being

the 5th-largest province in terms of population size in 1996 to being the 3rd largest in 2022. Black Africans remain the dominant population group (81,4%), followed

by coloureds at 8,2%, whites at 7,3% and Indians/Asians at 2,7%. There has been a steady decline in the proportion of the white population, from 11% in 1996 to 7,3% in 2022.

#### Population change in South Africa by group

Rank	Group	2011 Census	2022 Census	Change	Percent change
1	Black African	41,000,938	50,486,856	9,485,918	21%
2	Coloured	4,615,401	5,052,349	436,948	9%
3	White	4,586,838	4,504,252	-82,586	-2%
4	Asian or Indian	1,286,930	1,697,506	410,576	28%
5	Other	280,454	247,353	-33,101	-13%
Total population	51,770,560	61,988,314	10,217,755	19,8%	



# Re kgaba ka Diratswana



### Mapotso Kena, Ph.D., Plant Pathology

O re fa dikeletso tsa tjalo e atlehileng ya meroho le dijalo tse ding diratswananeng tsa hae.\*Ditaba tsena di fetolwetse le ho ngolwa ka Sesotho e le tsela ya ho ntshetsa pele le ho kgothaletsa ho bala puo ya Sesotho.O re ngolla mona boemong ba hae.

## Mokgwa o bobebe wa ho hlahloba mobu ka pele bakeng sa mobu o boetseng madulong mme o phetse hantle diratswaneng tsa meroho

Bophelo bo botle ba mobu ke motheo wa tlhahiso e hodimo e tletseng phepo dijalong tsa meroho. Mokgwa o ka pele ke tsela e bobebe ya ho hlahloba bophelo ba mobu ntle le ho ya ditekong le disebediswa tse theko e hodimo tsa laboratoring.

Mobu wa temo, hre na ke wa masimo a maholo kapa diratswana, e ya fapafapana ka ho nona le ka bophelo ba yona. Ho ya hlokahala ke hona hore dihwai di lekole mobu pele di etsa qeto ya hore ba jalang eng kae. Tlhahlobo ya mobu e ka thusa sehwai ho ithuhela tsebo ya h ore mobu o phetseng hantle o shebeha jwang le hore ke mehato e fey a taolo e ka nkwang ho ntlafatsa bophelo bo botle ba mobu.

Tse latelang ke mehato ya tataiso ya ho tseba maemo a lokileng pele ho kgethwa le ho jala dijalo diratswaneng

#### Mohato 1: Thempereitjha ya mobu

Hlahloba thempereitjha ya mobu ka ho beha letsoho la hao. Bapisa mobu o kwahetsweng/ kwahelehileng le mobu o sa kwahelehang/ o lepalapaleng.

- Temperaitjha ya mobu o phetseng hantle e tshwana le e tlwahelehileng ya motho.
- Kat tlase ho mobu thempereitjha e phodiphodile ho dumella hore dijalo di mele hantle
- Ha e ba bo-kahodimo ha mobu bo hlaheletse letsatsing, mobu o tla tjhesa haholo; hona ho ba thata ho dijalo ho mela le diphedi mobung, jwaloka dinonometsane di fumana ho le thata ho ka phela maemong a tjena
- Ho kwahela mobu ka mahlaku a shweleng a dijalo kappa ka dijalo tse phelang ke mokgwa o motle wa ho boloka thempeitjha e lokileng bakeng sa kgolo e ntle ya dijalo le tse phelang mobung

#### Mohato 2: Monko wa mobu

Hlahloba monko wa mobu ka ho tjheka mokotjana e be ka tlhoko o nkga mobu o ka tlalang seatla. Mobu o phetseng hantle o monko o motjha o nkgang hantle



jwaloka mobu

- Ha mobu o se na monko ho hang, e leng se fumanwang hangata mobung o lehlabathe mme o omme, hona ho bolela hore mobu oo o lokelwa ho fumantshwa montsha o mo ngata.
- Ha hona le monko o mobe o mo ngata, mobu oo o tletse metsi hobane metsi ha a kgone ho monyela• Ha e ba mobu o na le monko a mo ngata wa di-khemikale, ho molemo hore mobu o jwalo o se sebediswe

#### Mohato wa 3: Ho tiha ha mobu

Hlahloba ho tiha ha mobu ka thupa e bolelele ba 80cm – 100cm. Totometsa/ kenya thupa mobung mme o shebe hore e kena botebo bo bokae mobung pele e fihla moo mobu o tihileng teng. Ntsha thupa e be o lekanya botebo ba mobu o sa tihang.

- Mobu o tihileng ha o na masobana hara ona moo moya le metsi di ka fetang ha bonolo mme le metso ya dijalo e ka holang ha bonolo.
- \* Mobu o tiha ke ha batho le diphoofolo ba tsamaya hodima ona. Ho thata ho ka lema tshingwana ka mohoma wa botebo ba 20cm, empa metso ya sejalo se phetseng hantle se hloka 60cm kapa botebo bo fetang bona ho hola.
- Hore dijalo di hole
  hantle, mobu o lokela
  h ba le botebo, o
  lokela ho ba bonolo,
  mme o be bobebe ha
  o phetholwa. Botebo bo hantle ba mobu
  pele ho ka fihlwa moo o leng thata teng
  ke 60cm
- Ha hot she monontsha mme mobu o kwahetswe ka dimela hona ho ka thibela ho tiha ha mobu ka mora nako e itseng ka ha metso ya dijalo e pshatla le ho nolofatsa mobu o tihleng le makote hore ho be le masobana mobung.

(Di tswela pele)

## China's agricultural aid under BRI helps tackle global challenges

#### **CGTN**

Agricultural cooperation within the framework of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) has emerged as an important channel for China to share agricultural development opportunities, alleviate global poverty and ensure global food security.

This was the core message among participating representatives at a recent seminar focusing on agricultural products market system building for Belt and Road participating countries.

Representatives from eight developing countries shared their respective country's agricultural cooperation efforts with China at the seminar sponsored by the Chinese government and organized by the Foreign Economic Cooperation Centre of the Chinese Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

Since 2013, China, through the BRI – which aims to strengthen infrastructure, trade and investment links – has established



### A drone flies over a field at sunset. /CFP

agricultural cooperation with many countries and various international organizations.

Ethiopian participants of the seminar said that under the BRI, China has made a lot of investments in Ethiopia, and has transferred a large amount of technological know-how, which improved Ethiopia's agricultural productivity and promoted Ethiopia's agricultural and rural development.

At present, more than 2,000 agricultural experts and technicians have been sent to over 70 countries and regions, and more than 1,500 agricultural technologies such as Juncao, which refers to the Chinese-invented fungi growing technique, and hybrid rice, have been introduced to many of these countries, according to a white paper released by China's State Council Information Office in October.

Economic and trade cooperation has also steadily deepened, with China's investment in partner countries' agricultural sectors exceeding \$14 billion and annual two-way trade reaching \$139.4 billion, according to Ma Youxiang, vice minister of the Chinese Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

"The bilateral agricultural investment and trade between China and Bulgaria are strong, with bilateral agricultural trade the fastest growing foreign trade for Bulgaria, accounting for nearly one-sixth of the total trade volume between China and Bulgaria in 2022," said a Bulgarian participant, adding, "we look forward to more agricultural cooperation between Bulgaria and China."

The mutual benefits were generated through such collaborations that also happened during a period filled with challenges, including extreme weather events, pandemic-related disruptions and geopolitical headwinds.

Thanks to the BRI agricultural cooperation, countries have overcome such difficulties, achieved bumper harvests and slashed poverty, said several participants, many of whom expressed their desire for more agricultural cooperation in terms of connectivity, trade and investment facilitation, monetary integration, and promotion of exchanges.