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# The Week That Was Weekly News Round-Up With Sheilla Mapani



## SA UK Square Up

SOUTH Africa and the UK are squaring up to what could be a long week ahead as the government and the tourism sector react with dismay - after the UK decided to maintain tough restrictions on travel between the two countries, despite easing them on others such as Kenya and Pakistan.

Fears of a long-term damage to the relations between South Africa and the UK are mounting - and with the UK maintaining a tagetted travel red list on South Africa - signifies a lack of trust in South Africa's drive to contain.

SA's tourism sector - which before the outbreak of Covid-19 - was a rare outperformer in an economy that failed to grow, has been devastated by lockdowns and travel bans. Being on the UK red list means a British traveller to SA would on their return need to spend 10 days in a quarantine hotel at a cost of about £2 000 (R40 000) - making visiting SA too expensive for most Britons.

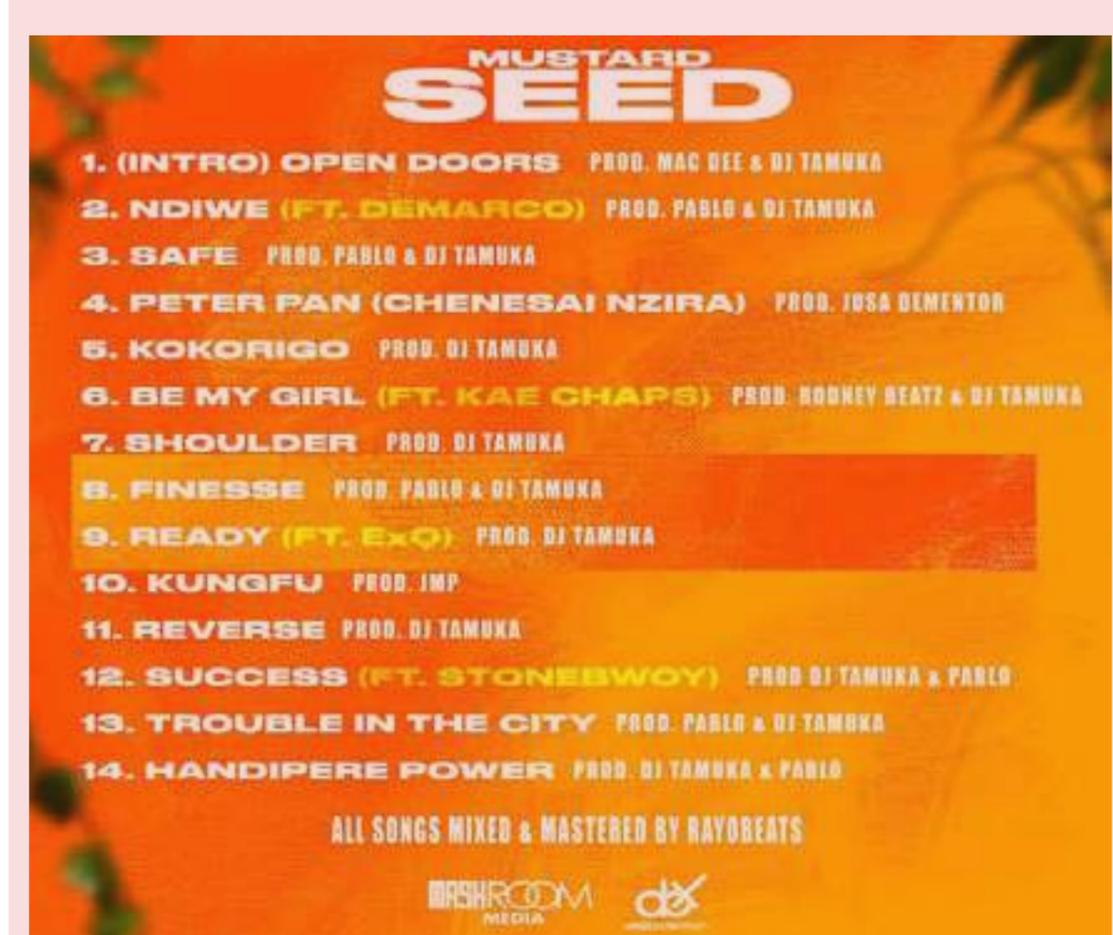
## Zim Tourism Attaches

Zimbabwe is to send tourism attachés in key global markets in a fresh push to rebuild the free-falling tourism industry that has been hard hit by Covid-19. In previous periods Zimbabwe has routinely deployed officers abroad - to

try and rebuild the country's tourism sector - but many have found the going tough - as the country's international image tag on the international markets has held back arrivals. The attachés will be deployed to New Delhi - the Indian capital - Paris in France - New York in the United States of America - London in England - Berlin - Germany - Japan and South Korea - as well as Durban and Johannesburg in South Africa. Staff from the ZTA and ZimParks are among those earmarked for the jobs - with their mandates stretching beyond work as tourism ambassadors - to international relations experts representing the government of Zimbabwe across several spheres. They will report directly to Tourism permanent secretary Munesu Munodawafa and ZTA acting chief executive officer Givemore Chidzidzi.

## Bulawayo Studios

Zimbabwe musician Nicholas Zakaria's son - Lazarus Zakaria has opened a modern music recording studio in Bulawayo and it is set to produce quality music - but it is still not clear if he will follow through with sungura sounds - which have made his father a household name in Zimbabwean music. X Studios - run by artiste manager Moratea Sidange - photographer and filmmaker Mr Wonderful - logistics guru Munyaradzi Ndlovu and Lazarus Zakaria will cater for all artistes including the unknown and those who have not been discovered yet. Sidange says the studio is a start of great things as they want to spread it across the



## Excitement in the Zim dancehall - as Winky D endorses Nutty O's Mustard Seed

On Jit TV Entertainment News Bulletin - popular Zim-dancehall chanter Winky D endorses Nutty O's "Mustard Seed" album which is to be released this month. Carrington Chiwadzwa better known as Nutty O in the entertainment circles - has been in the music industry for five years - and has released a multitude of hit songs such as "Safe" - "Boom Shelele" - among others. In a video - Winky D - Da Big Man - urged the public to check out Nutty O's new

album on its release - which left fans hyped-up - in anticipation that the "Finhu Finhu" singer also features in the album - considering an extended period since he dropped something. Mustard Seed will be his debut album and Nutty O revealed that his upcoming album will touch on various sounds - philosophy - commentary - and entertainment.

Nutty O's manager Byron Kabaira confirmed interna-

tional features in the album during an interview with journalists in Harare. However - this is Nutty O's most anticipated project - and it has been stalled for years and the album has collaborations from Africa's greats and international greats whose names are yet to be released. However - Nutty O's album release comes just a couple of weeks after he collaborated with DJ Zandimaz and South Africa's Nhlanhla Nciza of the Mafikizolo

country and its mission is to raise the Matabeleland region through art as there is a shortage of quality sound and exposure for Matabeleland artistes. They are planning on launching 10 more studios in Zimbabwe and internationally eventually as well as in remote areas because that's where most of talented people are based - but they lack exposure.

## Rwanda Volleyball Cheats

Cheating and use of ineligible players - has sharply come - into the limelight in the Women's African Volleyball Championships - as Rwanda is booted out of the tournament that they are hosting - for fielding players who are not qualified to represent the Central Africans. While Cameroon retained their Women's African Volleyball title after beating Kenya by 3 sets to 1 - it was the conduct and

behaviour of the Rwandese that hogged the headlines. This year's Women's African Volleyball Championships tournament will now be remembered more - not for the Cameroon victory - but by the controversy on the morning of the final when hosts Rwanda were disqualified.

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**Zimbabwe – for the first time in a long time – is capable of feeding the country’s 14.65 million people for the next year**

By Eness Paidamoyo  
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According to Zimbabwe’s Second Crop and Livestock Assessment report and the US department of agriculture, the estimated maize production for 2021 stands at 2.7 million tonnes. This maize yield is estimated to be triple the 2020 harvest. The agricultural sector is projected to grow 34% this year, more than three times the 11% projected in the budget given at the end of last year.

The International Monetary Fund reports that Zimbabwe is on a path to economic recovery with a growth forecast of 6% this year, largely due to the maize harvest.

Zimbabwe was the single largest maize export destination for neighbouring South Africa in the 2020/21 market year. Of the 2.6 million tonnes of maize that South Africa exported, about 20% went to Zimbabwe.

In May this year, Zimbabwe’s agricultural marketing authority announced a complete ban on maize imports, citing the expected bumper harvest and surplus. The Zimbabwean government expects to save an estimated US\$300 million from the ban. The 2019/20 season was plagued by drought and the country spent US\$298 million on maize imports.

The bumper harvest this year is a welcome development for Zimbabwe. But it’s important to know what’s behind this success and what challenges remain. Maize production is highlighted for priority investment in Zimbabwe owing to its strategic role in ensuring food security and serving as a raw material for agro-industrial processes.



## What Grain Bumper Harvest Means For Zimbabwe’s Food Security

The crop is grown by more than 90% of the farming households in the country and contributes 14% of the country’s agricultural gross domestic product.

### Drivers

The country’s large production output has primarily been attributed to favourable rainfall, supported by government programmes which ensured that farmers had adequate inputs on time for the 2020/21 cropping season.

### Rains

The Zimbabwe Meteorological Services Department records indicate that the country largely received normal to above normal rainfall during the past season. Maize and grain production by smallholder farmers is predominantly under rainfed agriculture.

But climatic conditions can’t be controlled. Maintaining high yields in the long term will probably require investment in water harvest-

ing interventions as well as up-scaling irrigation systems. Improved irrigation may provide smallholder farmers with resilience to adverse climate change impacts.

### Government Programmes

Government collaborations with non-governmental organisations, donor agencies and the private sector have led to various agricultural schemes.

One of these is a scheme which focuses on the efficient use of resources (inputs and labour) on small pieces of land. Known as Pfumvudza/Intwasa, it was widely promoted during the 2020/21 cropping season. This farming concept aims to provide food, nutrition and livelihood security at household level. Beneficiaries of the scheme had to prepare their land early, in time for inputs and planting.

This technique addresses many of the limiting factors of previous practices. For example, it requires less labour.

The approach can be used in marginal areas. According to Zimbabwe’s agriculture second assessment report, yields for smallholder farmers who practised this approach stood at 5.28 t/ha compared to 1.16 t/ha for farmers who used the conventional tillage. Scaling this technique up for larger pieces of land will require mechanisation.

This and other government smallholder programmes may contribute to the long term sustainability and growth of maize and grain production.

Large scale farmers also benefited from the Command Agriculture scheme of subsidised inputs. The scheme provided farmers with seed, fertiliser, fuel and chemicals on loan. This may have also contributed on overall production.

Zimbabwe launched an Agriculture and Food Systems Transformation Strategy in 2020 with the goal of creating an agriculture sector worth US\$8.2 billion by 2025. The strategy is anchored on

climate-smart technologies, extension services and increased innovations. The government schemes mentioned above are aligned with this strategy.

### Challenges

But critics have pointed out that the centralised input subsidy scheme (Command agriculture) has some major gaps and is unsustainable. First introduced during the 2016/2017 cropping season, the scheme is structured around debt, which was estimated to cost \$214 million in 2018. The system doesn’t seem to have measures in place to monitor and evaluate the use of inputs during the season. It doesn’t ensure loan repayment and debt recovery from defaulting beneficiaries.

In previous years there have been reports of some farmers abusing the inputs by selling them on the black market.

In 2017, out of the 50,000 small and commercial farmers who benefited under the maize input scheme, more than 10,000 have reportedly not delivered produce to the Grain Marketing Board as required. This is largely because of the abuse of inputs and the board’s reputation for long delays in payments.

Some of the yields aren’t reaching markets and food safety measures are not being applied. This calls for policy revisions.

This year’s success can be attributed to a combination of drivers. But to sustain the momentum, the Zimbabwean government has the challenge of addressing gaps that remain.

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By Sunday Express, Jit Television and Rosatom News Service

Zimbabwe has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Russia's State Atomic Energy Corporation Rosatom to explore nuclear generation as the African nation seeks to cut its reliance on hydroelectric power.

According to Zimbabwe's Information Minister Monica Mutsvangwa, the anticipated co-operation in the use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes will provide alternative sources of energy which Zimbabwe needs.

The country's co-operation with Rosatom, will also explore the feasibility of constructing a nuclear science and technology center, she said. No further details of the agreement were provided. Zimbabwe aims to ease its dependency on electricity produced from Lake Kariba, the world's largest man-made reservoir, where water levels have declined.

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# Zimbabwe Ventures Full On Into The Peaceful Use Of Nuclear Power

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Rwanda President Says Troops Will Stay For As Long As Needed



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# More Than Just Regional Diplomacy At Stake As Paul Kagame Meets His Troops in Cabo War Zone

By AFP and Reuters

Rwanda's President Paul Kagame on Friday began a two-day visit to Mozambique's insurgent-hit north, where he has sent 1000 troops to help local soldiers fight jihadist militants.

Rwanda in July was the first of several African countries to provide reinforcements to Mozambique's army, overwhelmed by an insurgency in its gas-rich Cabo Delgado province linked to the Islamic State.

Kagame landed in the provincial capital Pemba on Friday morning, the Rwanda Broadcasting Agency tweeted in the Kinyarwanda language.

One of the activities planned during his two-day visit will be meeting the armed forces

and police "sent to Cabo Delgado to restore peace", it added.

Foreign forces have helped Mozambique regain ground since militants launched a coordinated assault on the port town of Palma in March, offsetting multi-billion-dollar gas projects and raising international concern.

Alongside Rwanda, members of the 16-nation Southern African Development Community (SADC) bloc have also dispatched troops, including almost 1,500 pledged by Mozambique's neighbour, South Africa.

The European Union has meanwhile set up a military mission for Mozambique to help train its armed forces.

The violence has killed more

than 3,306 people, half of them civilians, and displaced at least 800,000 from their homes over the past four years.

Mozambican forces backed by Rwandan troops struck a major victory in August when they drove insurgents out of their de facto headquarters in the port city of Mocimboa da Praia.

Kagame said the country cannot stay forever in Mozambique's Cabo Delgado province, where allied Rwandan and Mozambican troops have been recapturing areas from Islamist militants since July. [read more](#)

"As much as we cannot be here forever, I think the problem we are dealing with, with our friends in Mozambique, cannot stay here forever too,"

Kagame said at a news conference with Mozambique's President Filipe Nyusi in Pemba, Cabo Delgado's capital city, on Saturday. "Every time, every step, we are assessing what needs to be done... The need to stay and for how long, that comes out naturally as progress is made."

Asked who had invited Rwandan troops in to help quell the insurgency, Nyusi said it was Mozambique.

Mozambican forces backed by Rwandan troops scored a major victory in August when they drove insurgents out of their de facto headquarters in the port city of Mocimboa da Praia. Rwandan forces in Mozambique, deployed less than a month before - to help battle jihadists, said they had scored successes in driving out the militants wreaking

havoc in the country's gas-rich north. The forces last week helped the Mozambique army regain control of Awasse, a strategic settlement near the key town of Mocimboa da Praia seized by militants in August 2020.

"We are progressing well in Cabo Delgado province," Rwanda Defence Force spokesman colonel Ronald Rwivanga told AFP via phone text. "We have registered successes on two fronts and are closing in Mocimboa da Praia," he added, referring to the port town that has been occupied by the militants since August 12, 2020.

The town, from where the first Islamist attacks were staged in October 2017, has since last year become the de-facto headquarters of the IS-linked extremists.



## Mental Health Series with Mertha Mo Nyamande

By Psychotherapist Mertha Mo Nyamande



### Mental Health And Dealing With The Issue Of Body Image

This week on **The Sunday Express** we continue with the topic of Mental Health – and we are looking at the issue of body image.

The way we appear to ourselves and to others communicates a lot about us than the words themselves can ever express; from the hairstyles, we wear to the shoes on our feet and everything in between, including or complexion, size; how tall or short, big or small, able-bodied or disabled.

Most people do not understand this concept and think wearing clothes, hair, lashes, labels, enlargements and any make-up, have no meaning, “It’s just about looking and feeling good”.

While we are creatures of a habit, we also crave belonging, and wearing certain labels can make us feel like we belong in a certain class or group of people that we may look up to.

It is like a uniform that children wear to school or adults wear to work, they set us apart from the “us and them” situation, whereby we may see ourselves as better than them, or concede to be lower than they are.

This brings about the concept of “compare and despair” that can lead to unstable moods and anxieties. Social spaces are important for feedback support, acceptance, belonging and validation, but when the society is largely depressed and of low spirits, external validation can be sought after more than internal ones for most individuals in that community.

When we place value on our internal attributes, we remain in control of how that trajectory develops than when we

depend on external approval of others.

This is not only costly on many levels but can also add on to/contribute to poor self-esteem and confidence.

#### Causes

Body image issues are largely about self-esteem and confidence. When we choose to imitate the hairstyle, dressing, or appearance of another, we would essentially think that we’re not good enough and would have perceived them to be somewhat superior or of a role model that we want to aspire to.

The problem with this is that these individuals may be going through their own situations, and we may not know this but still copy whatever the appearance or behaviour.

For example, shaving of hair has been associated with loss in many cultures across the world, and therefore when

people start to imitate someone famous who has decided to go bold for this reason, may not understand why this may be.

This ends up with a significant portion of the population going into mourning unconsciously. Further trouble with this is whatever personality and character they have is already taken, thereby cannot be cloned for only one of them is often required for whatever their purpose would have been.

By copying another’s looks, style, and or character, one will essentially be neglecting the development of their own character, further contributing to the devaluing of their own identity.

#### Implications

Many people end up self-hating as they would have neglected their authentic selves for so long thereby become nauseated by its appearance

and whatever emotions they would have associated it with, often triggering the unresolved traumatic experiences that created the split/divergence in the first place.

Further traumas would then cause further deviation from the self, hence the creation of psychopathology. Multiple personalities or extreme mood swings (bipolar) may also form as coping mechanisms.

The more we neglect resolving our traumatic experiences, the more vulnerable we become to further traumas thereby complicating a resolution, for traumas often layer on top of each other.

Therefore, we often find Post Traumatic Stress Disorders (PTSD) quite complex to treat as they usually develop upon numerous other unresolved “little T” traumas throughout life, that addressing the most recent and apparent trauma becomes more difficult and

often opens up prior unresolved traumas.

The other problem with unresolved spaces is that the individuals seek to remedy or become overprotective of others’ situations neglecting theirs, where the saying “looking at a speck in one’s eye ignoring the log in own” originates.

So imagine those following you, would they really be following you, or they’re following someone who is a wannabe someone else? What a quandary?

#### Remedies and recommendations

Body image never about how one looks externally or what is worn, but what skills one has as well as how confident one carries their posture to showcase whatever work.

We are normally conceived full of energy and confidence, but somewhere along the lines, adverse experiences occur that leave us feeling inadequate, worthless, and hopeless. We then try to remedy this internal void with materials and external validation.

Normally Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) are implicated, that need processing to enable an individual to continue to mend and work towards whatever is ideal for their character, which is different to everyone else’s, for we are usually in different spaces with a different understanding of our journeys at different times.

What matters is to start, for the resolve is usually a journey, a purpose on its own. Godspeed.

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By Dr TW  
Ngwenya-Changamire

This week on **The Sunday Express**: we are in the month of cervical cancer awareness.

This is the month where we heighten our efforts on raising awareness on what cervical cancer is and the impact of this disease is affecting our communities.

The world health organisation states that Cervical cancer is one of the leading cancer related cause of death in women with an estimated 270 000 deaths annually.

Of these deaths 85% are occurring in Africa.

Cervical cancer disproportionately affects poor countries and the 5 leading countries worst affected are Malawi, Mozambique, Comoros, Zimbabwe and Zambia according to UNICEF.

In Zimbabwe Cervical cancer mortality is currently sitting at 64% and there is need to reverse this and according to the Zimbabwe cancer research fund the country has the 5th highest burden of cervical cancer in the world. South Africa also has high incidence rates of Cervical cancer.

**Cervical cancer is the second prevalent cancer following Breast Cancer.**

Cervical cancer is abnormal growth of cells of the cervix. The cervix is the most lower part of the uterus that connects to the vagina. These abnormal cells replicate quickly and can invade and spread to other parts of the body.

Human papilloma virus (HPV) infection is linked to the development of cervical cancer.

There are various strains of HPV. Some HPV strains cause genital warts and other strains increase your risk of developing cervical cancer, penile, anal, vaginal and vulva

cancers. When infected with HPV the immune system is affected and the body's ability to prevent development of cervical cancer is reduced.

Other risk factors for cervical cancer are HIV infection because it weakens the immune system, early sexual debut, having unprotected sex with multiple partners, having sex with a man with multiple sexual partners, smoking and STI infection.

During the early stages of cancer, no symptoms will be present.

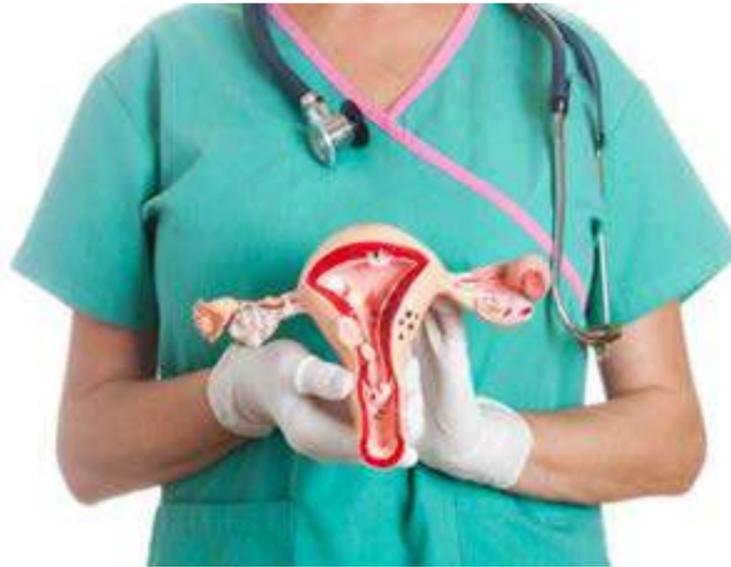
This is why screening is important. Screening will help to detect infection by the causative agent HPV and it will also help to detect abnormal changes in the cells of the cervix before they become cancerous, grow larger and possibly spread to local structures. As the disease progresses the following symptoms may develop and different women will experience different symptoms.

These symptoms signal that cancer has begun to grow. Symptoms include irregular vaginal bleeding, or postmenopausal bleeding, abnormal vaginal discharge which may be watery or bloody, vaginal odour, pain during sexual intercourse or pelvic pain.

As the cancer further progresses other symptoms like weight loss, abnormal bowel function, urinary incontinence and anaemia may develop.

Stages of cervical cancer Staging of cervical cancer depends on how far the tumour has grown into the cervix, if the nearby structures are affected and if the cancer has spread to nearby lymph nodes or distant organs.

Briefly Stage 1 means growth affecting the cervix only, Stage 2 means the cervix and uterus are involved, Stage 3 means that the cervix, uterus and lower part of the vagina are affected and might also have involve surrounding lymph nodes, stage 4 means that the cancer has now grown into the bladder or rectum or distant organs beyond the



## Talking Health Matters: Minding Your Well Being: Cervical Cancer



pelvic area like bone, lungs and distant lymph nodes.

Prevention of cervical cancer HPV vaccination: may reduce your risk of cervical cancer. Best vaccination outcomes are when people get vaccinated before HPV infection. This is why vaccination has been introduced to school-going children from the age of 9 years. 2 types of vaccines are available.

The one type is administered to both girls and boys. This is because HPV infection also affects boys. It is also expected that vaccination of boys

will also decrease the HPV transmission rates. The other vaccine is administered to girls only. HPV vaccination programme was introduced in SA in 2014 and in Zimbabwe it was introduced in 2018 for girls aged between 10 and 14 years.

Screening: Routine pap smear investigations are advised in women who have started to engage in sexual activities. There are other screening methods like VIA (Visual inspection with acetic acid). Both these procedures detect pre-cancer changes. The HPV test will detect infection by

the virus. A positive test only confirms infection by the HPV virus but does not confirm presence of cancer cells.

In the government 3 screening tests are advised in a space of 10 years for low-risk women.

Practicing safe sex practices: take measures to reduce STI infection by limiting the number of sexual partners and by using a condom every time you engage in sex.

When to see your doctor It is important to visit your medical doctor for screening and risk assessment. Also get screened for STIs and for HIV as these increase your risk further for cervical cancer. Women below 21 years are advised to screen if they are sexually active or if HIV positive.

Women between the ages of 21 and 65 are advised to screen every 3 years. Women over 65 years if HIV negative and have had 3 negative pap smears in the past decade are low risk and do not need to get screened.

Book an appointment also when you develop any of the symptoms mentioned above. Early detection saves lives. If the cancer is caught at an early stage it is possible to get cured and prevent further spread to other organs.

Cervical cancer is treatable by medical professionals. Treatment includes chemotherapy and may also include radiation and surgery depending on the stage of the cancer.

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By BBC

Desperate motorists have been filling up jerry cans as the UK's fuel crisis continued today – but less than 100 petrol stations are empty and drivers have been urged not to panic.

Motorists ignored Government pleas for calm as they jammed roads and police had to be called in to marshal drivers amid fears that fuel shortages could bring the economy to its knees.

Photographs are today circulating online showing drivers stocking up on fuel – which is already in short supply because of the absence of drivers to transport it from source to stations – as just one per cent of Britain's petrol stations are empty.

Some had multiple jerry cans in the boot of their cars and spent time filling each up while others queued for hours to reach the pump. Meanwhile, around 400 stations owned by the EG Group is limiting customers to £30 worth of petrol to give everyone a 'fair chance to refuel'. Meanwhile, Boris Johnson revealed a visa U-turn for 5,000 foreign truck drivers to try to stem the shortage.

There are currently about 8,350 filling stations in the UK and less than 100 of them have been forced to close due to shortages. However, the Petrol Retailer's Association has warned the situation could get worse before it improves.

BP said around 20 of its 1,200 petrol forecourts were closed due to a lack of available fuel, with between 50 and 100 sites affected by the loss of at least one grade of fuel.

A 'small number' of Tesco refilling stations have also been impacted, said Esso owner ExxonMobil, which runs the sites. The queuing scenes come despite No 10 and motoring bodies urging



## British Bring Out The Jerry Cans, But Downplay Disruptions To UK Fuel Supply



the public not to panic-buy. President of the AA Edmund King reiterated on Saturday there 'is plenty of fuel at the source' and no need to stock up. When speaking to BBC Breakfast, he said the current queues at petrol sta-

tions were unlikely to last.

'The good news is you can only really fill up once – you've got to use the fuel, so this should be a short-term thing,' said Mr King. 'It's not like the fuel crises in the past

when the supplier was hit by strikes, etc.

'So, once people have filled up, they won't travel more than they normally travel, so this strain on the system should ease up in the next few days.'

As the crisis continued:

- Police were called to forecourts to manage queues, head off confrontations and keep traffic moving;
- Motorists in queues complained about greedy customers filling their tanks and then jerry cans;
- Small petrol stations raised prices to cash in on the panic and experts warned of further increases;
- Couple missed an emergency A&E appointment because petrol station queues blocked a major road;
- Haulage company boss warned a temporary change to visa rules would not solve the crisis.

A motorist lays out a half dozen fuel containers on the floor of the forecourt in Upminster to fill her boot with fuel while desperate drivers queue for hours behind. Photographs are today circulating online showing 'greedy' drivers stocking up on fuel – which is already in short supply because of the absence of drivers to transport it from source to stations.

Some had multiple jerry cans in the boot of their cars and spent time filling each up while others queued for hours to reach the pump. Pictured: Customers queuing in their cars to access an Asda petrol station in east London on Saturday

The Prime Minister is expected to buckle and grant visas for thousands of foreign drivers in a bid to tackle the shortages, while soldiers will also be drafted in to help at HGV testing sites to clear a backlog of drivers trying to get licences.

But Toby Ovens, managing director of Broughton Transport Solutions, said he is not convinced a temporary visa scheme will solve the current shortage of HGV drivers. Photographs show desperate motorists queuing for petrol at 5.45am this morning at Sainsbury's Alperston station.



# Newsmakers Galore At **The Sunday Express** - As Congo-Brazzavile Presidential Candidate Makes A Turn To Studio

**Top politician, former deputy minister, philanthropist and IT specialist – turns out to be a great story teller**

The Sunday Express

As has become custom – its newsmakers week every week at The Sunday Express – and if we were to be defined by the quality the guests coming through – then Seeing News Differently is definitely a tag made for the headlines.

This week – in came a special guest – former Congo Brazzaville Presidential candidate Roger Nzaba – who is also CEO & Chairman: PCA Group (Pty)Ltd: Owner of Itel Group Holdings: Patron of the Roger Nzaba Foundation and Goodwill Ambassador for the World International Film And Music Festival.

After a few weeks of planning for the interview – Nzaba made a scheduled appearance at our Rivonia studios – and discussed everything from current affairs news, African geopolitics and investments to clothing, mining, timber, oil, freight, furniture, and his

all-time passion information technology.

But above all – he turned out to be quite a great storyteller – able to juggle questions in philanthropy and futurism. “You see Africans have a great responsibility to take their own continent forward. We have some great minds, very brilliant people, but many times we seek foreign aid for the things that we can do for ourselves.

“We always wait for the west to lead us, and we seek help for the things that we can do. Even for those countries that are described as failed democracies – we must not lose hope. But it is our responsibility is what we must take – if we are truly going to change the plight of the continent,” he said.

Many on the continent spent time doing things that did not better their lives and many times this was an issue of leadership – as the continent was endowed with oil, vast natural resources, and huge potential in global economics – but basics like tape water



remained a luxury.

Nzaba described the journey that had made him content the presidential elections in Congo Brazzaville five years ago – and when he had come third – he realised that there was more to winning the contents – more than just winning the actual numbers on the ballots.

“Remember that Congo Brazzaville is richer than Qatar, and the country can produce about 600 000 barrels of oil per day, but the country is still struggling to stand on its feet. We have gone astray with our thought processes. We have fine skills, but skills have to be transferred to the people.”

I’m not saying let’s not borrow

the good ideas from Europe, or China, or the Americans. But at the same time our own African solutions to world challenges have hardly been tested on the world forums,” said Nzaba.

He spent time describing his life journey – from being at the right place and at the right time – when he got in shipping and freight, to shipping aid to war-torn DRC- and through to negotiating with global information companies to bring manufacturing and computer hardware from Europe to Africa.

Through all his business and entrepreneurial journey he had lived through the motto of Pray and Work – Work and Pray – saying that the journey of business was full of bumps, hazards, and sleepless nights.

Through the Roger Nzaba Foundation they had managed to send up 250 previously disadvantaged youths to universities, and through to starting up a new electronics company with will push through with manufacturing electric components and products in South Africa for the sub-regions.

He also described his vast networks created through Itel Africa – to working with Huawei, Sansui, Logitex, Konica Minolta, and Sahara – saying that while most youths spent their time job hunting – much more could be gained from creating homemade gadgets and experimenting.

“Remember that it’s OK to be crazy and not to follow the crowd. Remember that it’s OK to think differently and it is OK to try, rather than not to have tried at all,” he said.

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# News Analysis with Nhamo Muchagumisa

**The privatisation issue as a blatant shift from missionary work to a mercenary agenda – involving a few church elements, seeking self aggrandisement**

By Nhamo Muchagumisa

On 15 September 2021 – at around 0900 – throngs of people from Muchena Community flooded the main entrance into St. Augustine’s Mission in Penhalonga – in a demonstration against the proposed privatisation of the school. The demonstration was peaceful, punctuated by dancing, singing, chanting, and the waving of placards.

The people of Muchena Area view the privatisation issue as a blatant shift from missionary work to a mercenary agenda involving a few church elements, seeking self aggrandisement. They view the mission project as a community element that mutated into a national project as the establishment increased in popularity, hence they feel entitled to make their position clear about the imminent commercialisation of the school.

The crowd comprised people whose children are enrolled at Little St. Augustine Primary School and St. Augustine’s High School as well as congregants of the Church of the Province of Central Africa (CPCA).

Videos of the consultation meetings have gone viral on social media.

In one such video a woman who introduces herself as Chihera asks Bishop Ruwona if his motive is really the improvement of teacher remuneration as he has repeatedly said. Chihera argues



## Anti Privatisation Demo At St Augustines Is Litmus Test For Zim Missionary Schools

that Government has not yet declared its lack of capacity to fulfill its mandate towards the remuneration of teachers. She goes on to say if the government is facing such a problem, it is Government that should come to the people, not the Anglican Diocese of Manicaland.

There are no signs that the Anglican Diocese of Manicaland will drop the privatisation agenda, despite all the noise about it being motivated by an infernal thirst for personal gains by a few individuals.

People who have been closely following developments in the Anglican Diocese of Manicaland cite the St. Catherine flop as an example of the rot that prevails in the high

echelons of the missionary authority.

They argue that enough funds had been raised to build a state of the art private boarding school, but the funds ended up fattening the pockets of a few individuals at the centre of church administration.

Now that the St. Catherine project has proven to be a dead cow, the church administration wants to privatise the already established mission schools.

The students of Santa Private pay their school fees in US dollars, but attend the same classes with ordinary learners, taught by the same government remunerated teachers.

What then is the difference

between Santa Private and ordinary Santa? The students of Santa Private have state of the art boarding facilities.

Their food is not served from the bowl from which the common students are fed. They have a separate dining hall and separate kitchen staff. The only levelling aspect is that their teachers are the same aggrieved men and women on the Government payroll.

Arguments in favour of privatisation cite modern dynamics in the education system, which call for improvement of infrastructure and the general approach towards school administration without being too elaborate.

The St. Augustine’s Alumni

has played a pivotal role in giving St. Augustine’s High School a facelift and incentivising teachers.

The Responsible Authority for any mission school is entitled to up to 20% of the fees paid into the school as per Government regulation.

The Anglican Diocese of Manicaland decided to levy from one student for 2021, a separate US\$500 and the form fees US\$900, paid directly to the Responsible Authority, before payment of Government approved fees, which in the eyes of the public is unconstitutional. It is this unfortunate move that makes people view the privatisation move as an outrage.

Diocesan Lawyer Ashley Mutungura had no kind words for local St. Faith parents who spoke against privatisation, saying that they do not know how school systems operate.

But it can be argued that they may not fully know how schools operate, but they know which model is good for their children, after all, parents have always acted as stakeholders, some of them participating as SDA/ SDC members.

They see no logic behind the move to fine the traditional leaders after a peaceful demonstration by their subjects. People are entitled to their opinions, but it appears as if nothing can spruce up the skinless face that the privatisation saga has projected amongst most stakeholders.

Good luck to the teachers whose welfare is top on the privatisation agenda.

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**The aroma of cooked goat meat filled the air, and had everyone craving for a taste**

By Farai Madzivanyika

There were 25 entrants but there could be only one winner, a runner up and a second runner up. Team Mbudzilicious lead by Weddington Masawi, Team Pamuromo by Chef Madzi and Team Originals whose boat was steered by Gari Dombo.

It was the 11th of September, a crisp spring morning as the teams and their families began the trek out to Zvezda Game Farm in Brits – some 70 odd kilometers from Johannesburg. It was finally here. The Brawlers Spring Family Cookout competition. The main ingredient – goat meat.

Twenty Five teams entered and the competition for who could come up with the best goat dish was on.

The Brawlers, a bunch of Zimbabweans who have come together to share business, sport and other initiatives decided: “Let’s come up with a program that encourages family unity as well as promoting a sense of community amongst Zimbabweans”.

And so – one of the founders – Don Chimhandamba and Allen G Nyampa – came up with the family cook-out competition. Allen G, the main organiser then set out to coordinate and organise the first-ever Brawlers family cookout that turned out into a hit with all who attended and caused much envy amongst those who could not.

We arrived at the Game Farm that teams with hundreds of various game that includes Wildebeest, Warthog, Impala, kudu and many many more. Braai stands had been set up with piles of firewood prepared and made available to the contestants.



## Great memories At The Cook-Out Competition. Now For The Brawlers Family Festival

As the teams arrived, the set up their gazebos and work stations and their families settled in for a day that was to turn out as one of the most successfully organized family outings.

The day was not to be filled with just cooking and food alone. As the fires roared into life and created ambers for the cast iron pots to go on and begin the process of cooking goat in many different ways, some of the other festivities began.

Mo\$hpit Cindy (Nonthando Madziwanyika), a budding young music artist who has just released an EP that is playing on some of the main radio stations in South Africa and streaming globally took to the stage to belt out.

As the chefs prepared their meals to be judged by a panel of experienced judges at the end of the day, the aroma that filled the air had everyone craving for a taste of the flavors that ranged from the Caribbean to Indian to

West African and to home in Southern Africa.

The banter between the teams was lively as Team Pamuromo lead by Chef Madzi (Farai Madziwanyika) proved that for sure, vane pamuromo as they taunted and threw jibes at all who cared to listen.

Team Lake Harvest braaied a mean bream and Frank made some tasty ribs that were garnished with some fresh greens, but I think he missed the brief because they were pork ribs, not GOAT Frank. Team Masau had their Gin on show and on tap that provided much refreshment as the day began to hot up in the afternoon and that Gin caused much merriment late into the evening too.

Midafternoon, the fun and games away from the pots continued as the kids enjoyed some swimming and Go-Karting courtesy of Sipambi International and Anos Machinjike, a tall burly gentleman tumbled whilst partaking of the sack race.

He humbly limped across the finish line and complained of sore body parts well into the following week.

Could this have been as a result of spending too much time at the Team Masau station..... I wonder. Only Anos knows.

As evening arrived and the tasting and judging began, the crowds enjoyed the feast that ensued as they partook of a traditional goat stew and sadza from Team Originals who later took 3rd place, some goat tacos snacks, garlic butter pan-fried goat steak flambéed in a splash of Hennessy Cognac and topped with salad greens and goat feta cheese as a starter, followed by an Indian goat curry and finished off with a goat milkshake by Team Pamuromo who came second.

The winner of the day, Team Mbudzilicious was serving their Caribbean-style Jamaican Goat Curry that surely tasted good. Their neighbors, Team Pamuromo tried to raise pandemonium by

accusing Team Mbudzilicious of having arrived late – and had to poach a fire from the runners up.

But though true, that was not enough to get the vote reversed as the Brawlers Electoral Commission had made their pronouncements.

Team Bhodo also raised complaints that they had made some financial donations to one of the Judges – but they did not win whilst Team Halakasha took the “kurakashwa” in silence and conceded defeat. All in all, it was a fantastic day spent with wives, children and family.

A donation of R50 0000 collected by the Brawlers for a family in Zimbabwe that has just delivered triplets was handed over on behalf of the needy family.

As the banter continued on the Brawler Culinary WhatsApp group – Don and Allen G – probably sitting and sipping on some Team Masau Gin – came up with yet another crazy but likely fun idea – The Brawlers Family Fusion Festival – that is being planned for later this year and will involve families once again coming together for a major competition that will include a cookout, running, hiking, fishing cycling and many more.

It sounds like a decathlon of fun if you ask me.

Well done Brawlers.

You have shown that as Zimbabweans we can come together, share business ideas, bring families together and have a sense of community. It is small things like this that make us all proud to be Zimbabwean. Brawlers Family Fusion, here we come.

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The Sunday Express

Zimbabwean landowners holding on to vast tracts of unused land would either lose their tenure – or risk losing the claims when renewal came up.

This was said by Zimbabwe’s Minister of Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare Professor Paul Mavima while addressing the Zimbabwe Investors Business Committee (ZIBC) this week.

The ZIBC opened its cards to the public with intent this week – after hosting a highly successful online conference – in which the organisation charted a new direction in its engagements with the Zimbabwe diaspora – and government.

In a frank Q & A with guests, participants, and civic groups this week, Professor Mavima said that government many leases were up for renewal – but government audits had revealed that thousands of hectares of land were lying fallow – and many companies has been given the opportunity to develop land and extraction – but some had not done anything.

“For instance, there are companies that are holding to vast tracts in the Zhombe area, and also in the Shurugwi areas. There are many claims for chrome, gold, and others in platinum base mineral areas. “But remember that in mining there are many claims that are in dispute, and many counterclaims.

“Also the government is aware that there are some sectors that capital is needed to get extraction off the ground, and where the local people simply do not have the resources. “That’s where the Chinese investors have come in, but even there were aware that

# Government Set To Reclaim Land From Inactive Land Owners



sectors of Zimbabwean industry including mining, medical, education, infrastructure, agriculture, tourism, civil and engineering. The organisation was set up as an initiative in 2021 calling for Zimbabweans in the diaspora, and in Zimbabwe to harness the skills and resources to develop businesses and Zimbabwe as well as invest in the country.

ZIBC also has a view of insuring that the diaspora community and Zimbabwe-based businesses and stakeholders are constantly engaged to build and maintain a healthy economic relationship between Zimbabwe and the diaspora.

It has the following strategic objectives:

Our objective is to encourage investment, business partnership, enterprise, and the creation of sustainable jobs in Zimbabwe, as well as promoting capacity building and enhance diaspora-home-land relationship. Also ZIBC provide legal instrument to extend rights and privileges enjoyed in Zimbabwe to Zimbabweans in the diaspora, mobilises resources for sustainable development and facilitates dissemination of accurate and relevant data for sustainable engagement

ZIBC is currently led by a committee led by Dr Ian Henney - a well-recognised and respected businessman and educationist. He is the Founder and Executive Chairman of Borrowdale Brooke Academy Group. He is a passionate philanthropist he also runs the Ian Henney Foundation.

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“Look at Unki – 100% of the people working there – are Zimbabweans. “So there are massive opportunities in mining – but also in construction, in agriculture.

“Before people from other countries come in, we are saying that the indigenisation policy must benefit those with skills and expertise to do what you are doing to build foreign countries, and also build your own home country,” said Prof Mavima.

As reported in The Sunday Express this week – the ZIBC is a non-political organisation focused on encouraging Zimbabweans in the diaspora to invest back home by working with the government to ensure compliance and good governance of investor interests into Zimbabwe.

Co-host and Sunday Express correspondent Addlyne Mackenzie said that the ZIBC dialogues series was targeted and driving investment into all

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some of the investors are damaging the flora and fauna.

“So that is where the indigenisation policy has been coming in because we simply

have to protect the interests of our people first. That is why we are saying – if our diaspora people have got the muscle and resources to invest – come through.

# Tanker Drone Refuels US Fighter Jet In Third Test Mission

By Tracy Cozzens

An unmanned MQ-25 T1 test asset refueled a third U.S. Navy carrier-based aircraft, demonstrating the maturity of the aircraft's design and performance

The US Navy and Boeing used the MQ-25 T1 test asset on Sept. 13 to refuel a U.S. Navy F-35C Lightning II fighter jet for the first time, demonstrating the aircraft's ability to achieve its primary aerial refueling mission. This was the third refueling mission for the Boeing-owned test asset in just over three months, advancing



the test program for the Navy's first operational carrier-based unmanned aircraft. T1 refueled an F/A-18 Super Hornet in June and an E-2D Hawkeye in August.

"Every test flight with another type/model/series aircraft gets us one step closer to rapidly delivering a fully mission-capable MQ-25 to the fleet," said Capt. Chad Reed, the

Navy's Unmanned Carrier Aviation program manager. "Stingray's unmatched refueling capability is going to increase the Navy's power projection and provide operational flexibility to the Carrier Strike Group commanders."

During a test flight on Sept. 13, an F-35C test pilot from the Navy's Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Two Three (VX-23) conducted a successful wake survey behind T1 to ensure performance and stability before making contact with T1's aerial refueling drogue and receiving fuel. "This flight was yet another physical demonstration of the

maturity and stability of the MQ-25 aircraft design," said Dave Bujold, Boeing's MQ-25 program director. "Thanks to this latest mission in our accelerated test program, we are confident the MQ-25 aircraft we are building right now will meet the Navy's primary requirement — delivering fuel safely to the carrier air wing." The T1 flight test program began in September 2019 with the aircraft's first flight. In the following two years, the test program completed more than 120 flight hours — gathering data on everything from aircraft performance to propulsion dynamics. - GPS World

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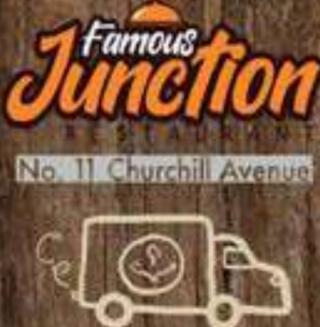
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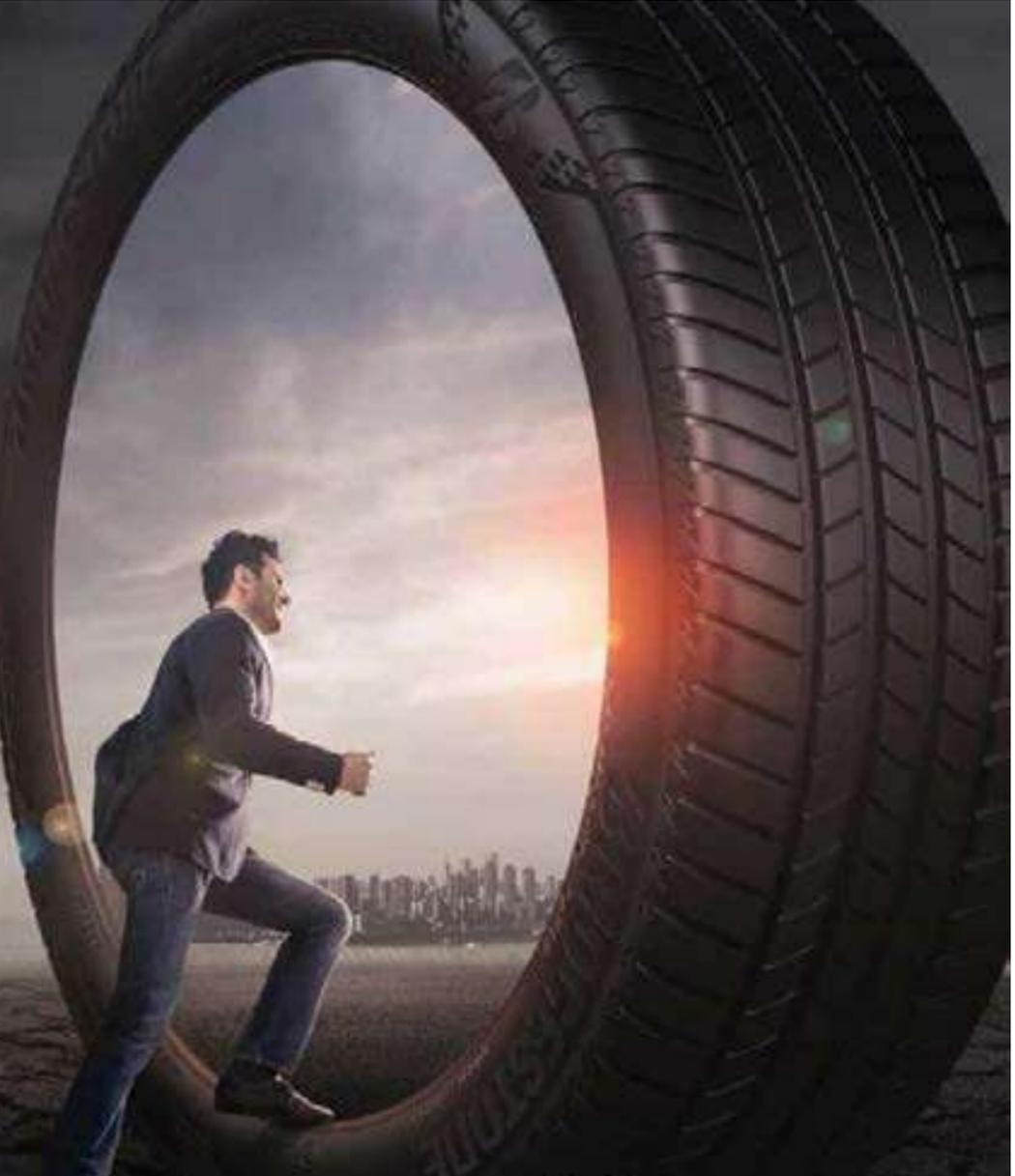
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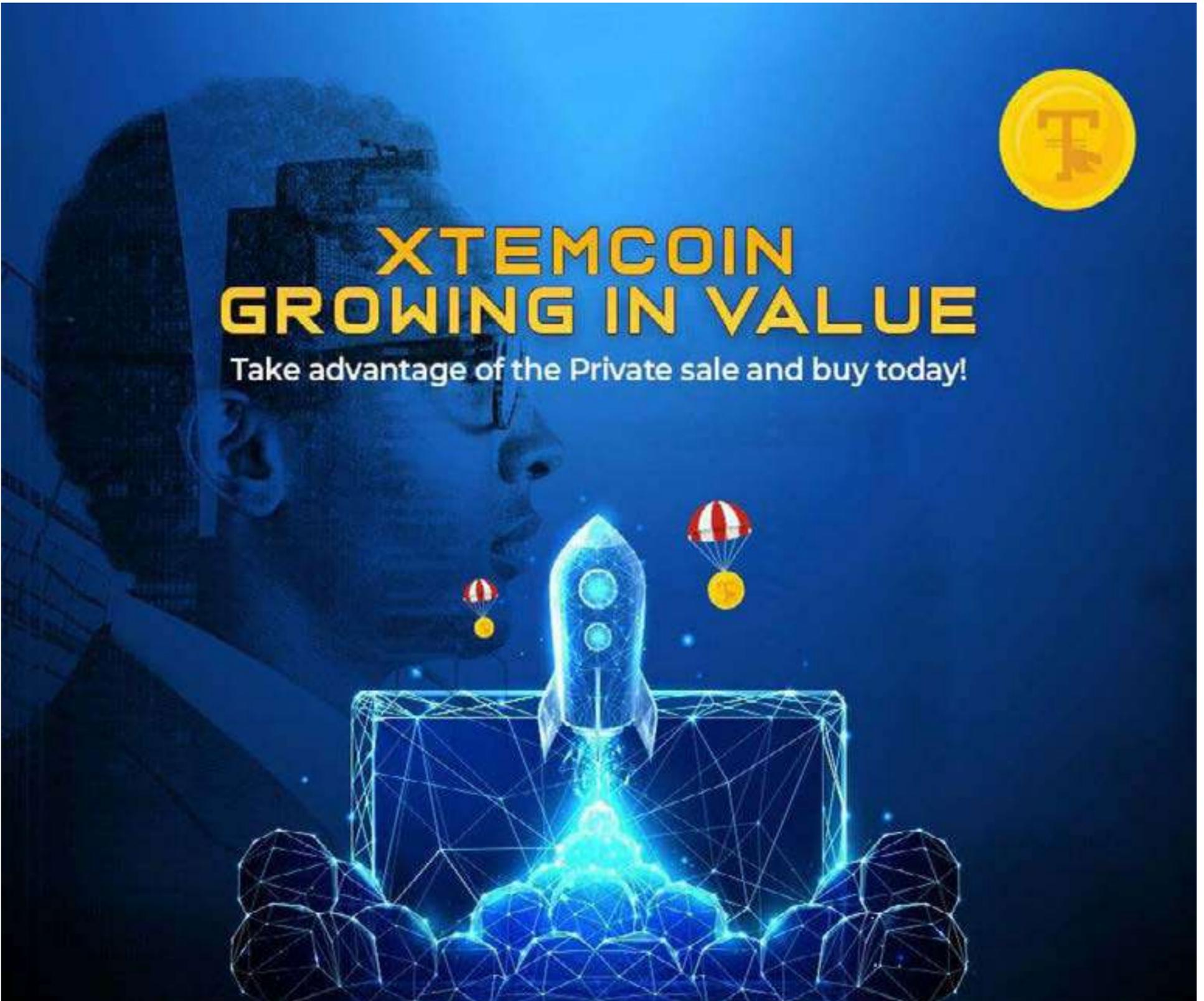
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**The duty is yours to put 1 and 1 together as readers – and see the elephant in the room**

By Ngoni Chihombori

The 23rd September edition of The Herald carried an article whose title I found to be interesting. The article was titled “Who is causing parallel rate markets to spike?” What caught my attention particularly were the questions that this title evoked within my mind.

Was this supposed to be a rhetorical question, especially coming from a publication within the government-controlled media stable?

A few days earlier, within the same week of publication, while reading through the news, I read through another article reporting on an event at which the Vice-President, Retired General Constantino Chiwenga was supposedly quoted accusing some unnamed, invisible and, “mysterious” saboteurs clocking in double and triple shifts, just so to frustrate government efforts of stabilizing the economy through the manipulation of the parallel market currency rates.

What I am still battling to crack right now is that, assuming this question weren't meant to be rhetorical, such a question coming from the government would have either of the following explanations. Perhaps the government is assuming that the audience for the message are economically illiterate dimwits and the authorities can get away with such cheap propaganda.

Why I am more afraid of the latter is that it triggers serious questions surrounding the competence of those to whom the nation is outsourcing some very important decision-making authority and entrusting the future and that of the future generations who will have to bear the cost of such reckless decision-making.

In any case, I am going to indirectly try and answer the



## Who Is Causing The Zimbabwe Parallel Rate Markets To Spike? Well We Don't Need Too Look Very Far – Do We?

a monetary phenomenon.”

The same old wisdom held true on a historic day, almost seven decades ago, and the same wisdom still holds true today.

The Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe (RBZ) recently released the July Monthly Economic Performance Report in which the latest Banking Sector statistics as of the end of the month of July were published.

As I always say, the numbers always have a story to tell, and unlike most among us, the numbers rarely lie.

As of the end of January, 2021, M3 (Broad Money Supply) which is the aggregate total amount of money supply

in the whole economy stood at c.ZWL\$ 220.48 billion.

As of the latest published July RBZ banking sector numbers, aggregate broad money supply stood at c.ZWL\$ 330.66 billion. This represents a ZWL\$ 110.18 billion (c.50%) increase in total money supply in the economy.

By the end of the month of January, the parallel market rate of the US\$ against the Zim Dollar was around 100 units of the local currency per unit of the American Dollar. As of the end of July, the parallel market rate stood at roughly 150 units of the local currency against the greenback, representing a c.50% decline in the value of the local currency. One doesn't need an astronaut or to resurrect Adam Smith from the dead to come and explain that if you created 50% more money out of thin air, the exchange rate is bound to fall by roughly the same.

The central bank would most likely want to hide behind the

pinky finger and argue that the FCA nostro component factor of M3 which is correlated to the official exchange rate is responsible for this expansion rather than money creation.

The same July statistics point to a c.ZWL 32.58 billion increase (from ZWL\$108.59 to ZWL\$141.17 billion) in Nostro FCA balances in the total banking sector.

This leaves a c.ZWL\$ 80 billion increase in electronic Zim Dollars created, and this is only as of the end of July. Only the Lord knows where this figure stands today.

However, it is interesting to note that in spite of the 50% bloodbath witnessed on the currency markets, on the government-acclaimed “successful and super stable” casino, oops. I meant, Forex Auction System run by the legendary Governor John Bond Mangundya aka Santa Claus, which is supposed to be the legitimate, “official” exchange rate, the local currency has

only slipped by a mere 3.6% (82.68 units to 85.64 units) against the USD.

Unless perhaps, there is a matured top secret plantation with some ripe and ‘ready-to-harvest’ money trees, run by some mysterious saboteurs from which c.ZWL 80 billion was plucked from and magically injected into the banking system.

As far as I am concerned, only one institution has the legal mandate to issue Zimbabwean Dollars and these troublesome delinquents, whose incessant quasi-fiscal activities are responsible for all this mayhem are frequently spotted strolling up and down the corridors of a very tall building at the intersection of Samora Machel Avenue and 1st Street, in the Harare CBD. Duh!

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# Solskjaer Cries Foul, Then Defends Bruno Fernandes' Missed Penalty

ESPN

Ole Gunnar Solskjaer has defended his decision to let Bruno Fernandes rather than Cristiano Ronaldo take a stoppage time penalty during the 1-0 defeat to Aston Villa on Saturday. Fernandes missed from the spot to squander the chance to salvage a point for United, who have now lost three of their last four games.

Ronaldo was also in the penalty area when referee Mike Dean pointed to the spot but Fernandes took responsibility for the kick. He blazed the opportunity over the bar, missing a penalty for United for just the second time in 23 attempts. "That is football," Solskjaer said. "He will step forward every day of the week for the club and the team and sometimes it just doesn't go your way. It is such a fine line between heaven and hell."

Speaking after the final

whistle, Solskjaer played down suggestions that Ronaldo had appeared unhappy with the decision to hand the ball to Fernandes. "This is going to be the headline," Solskjaer said. "Bruno has been excellent and Cristiano is probably the one who has scored the most penalties in world football. "It is just a missed opportunity to get a point. You will be making all these assumptions on the reactions of players. Bruno is such a good penalty taker and you would back him with your mortgage."

After back-to-back defeats, Solskjaer will be hoping to get back to winning ways when Villarreal visit Old Trafford on Wednesday. United are looking for their first win in the Champions League after losing their opening group game to Young Boys but the Norwegian is sweating on the fitness of Luke Shaw and Harry Maguire after both limped off with injuries against Villa.



Ole Gunnar Solskjaer claimed Aston Villa's late winner at Old Trafford should have been ruled out for offside after Manchester United suffered their first league defeat of the season. "It's obviously disappointing, because [Aston Villa's goal] is offside," Solskjaer said. "We were unfortunate to have that decision go against us."

United were handed a late lifeline to salvage an unlikely point when Hause was penalised for blocking Edinson Cavani's header

with his arm. Up stepped penalty specialist Bruno Fernandes, but the Portuguese missed from the spot for only the second time since moving to Manchester as Villa clung onto a 1-0 victory - their first at Old Trafford since 2009. Solskjaer was annoyed by the reaction of Villa's players to the decision - including keeper Emi Martinez seemingly suggesting Cristiano Ronaldo should take the penalty - but backed Fernandes, insisting he was the designated taker - and that he would step up

again. "First of all, what I didn't like was the way they crowded the referee and the penalty spot and Bruno and tried to affect him," Solskjaer added. "It clearly worked but that's not great to see. "Sometimes it just doesn't go your way. Bruno is such a good penalty taker and today you would have backed him with your mortgage I would guess, unfortunately he just missed this one. But he is strong mentally and he'll step forward again."

# Smash and Grab Manchester City Come Out Of Stamford Bridge With Three Points

Manchester City produced an impressive display to end Chelsea's unbeaten start to the season with a deserved victory at Stamford Bridge. In the meeting between two sides fully expected to fight it out for this season's Premier League title, the reigning champions dominated against a strangely passive and conservative Chelsea. Gabriel Jesus settled a tight affair when his 53rd-minute effort took a touch off Jorginho to beat Chelsea keeper Edouard Mendy - but few could question City's right to the win against the team who beat

them in last May's Champions League final, and the victory margin should have been far more emphatic. Jesus almost added a second when Thiago Silva cleared his effort off the line while Aymeric Laporte should have scored but somehow slid a shot wide from inside the six-yard box. Mendy also produced two crucial saves from the excellent Jack Grealish. It was the perfect start to a crucial week for City and manager Pep Guardiola as they prepare to visit Paris St-Germain in the Champions League this week. - BBC



By Kick Off and The Citizen

Peter Shalulile scored twice for Mamelodi Sundowns as the reigning champions reasserted their dominance at the top of the DStv Premiership with a 2-0 win over Orlando Pirates yesterday.

The Namibian striker showed his class in the 2nd half as he rifled in from Thabiso Kutumela's cross to put his side in front and then added a 2nd from a Lyle Lakay delivery, as Sundowns beat one of their potential title rivals at Orlando Stadium.

Pirates had gone into the game on the back of two straight league wins under Fadlu Davids and Mandla Ncikazi, but also with their players in the papers for the wrong reasons, with Ben Motshwari and Gabadinho Mhango both creating tabloid headlines with their alleged bad behaviour.

Shalulile, who has four league goals in five games now for Sundowns this season, after top scoring last season with 15 strikes, rattled in a shot off the underside of the bar in the 54th minute after excellent work from Kutumela to get to the byline and added another in the 72nd minute from Lakay's cross.

For Pirates, Happy Jele headed wide from a first half corner, but the Buccaneers created little to disturb Sundowns, who are now five points clear of Pirates at the top of the league.

Mamelodi Sundowns cemented top spot in the DStv Premiership after defeating rivals Orlando Pirates 2-0 on Saturday afternoon.

Terrence Dzvukamanja came in for Ntsako Makhubela and Deon Hotto replaced Kabelo Dlamini. Sundowns made just one change with Thabiso Kutumela coming in for Gaston Sirino.



## Sundowns Cement Top Spot With Win Over Hapless Orlando Pirates

An early chance was crafted for Kutumela as he was set up by Themba Zwane on the edge of the box but his first time effort went over the bar. And in the 19th minute, his curling effort from outside of the box was inches away from hitting the target.

Pirates had their first real sight at goal with half an hour gone.

Deon Hotto delivered to the back post for Bandile Shandu, who made a good run onto the ball but was put off by the covering Kutumela and fired wide of the right-hand upright.

Makhubela then made an earlier than expected intro-

duction as he replaced the injured Dzvukamanja before an unmarked Happy Jele rose highest to meet Deon Hotto's in-swinging corner but it was a little too high for the Pirates skipper as he headed over.

The Brazilians took the lead in the 53rd minute. Pirates midfielder Goodman Mosele gave possession away and Sundowns quickly countered with Kutumela doing brilliantly to get on the outside of Paseka Mako and cut the ball back from the byline for Peter Shaulile, whose thunderous strike went in off the underside off the crossbar.

Five minutes later, Pule got in behind down the left and drilled the ball into the box

which took a wicked deflection off Downs centre-back Rushine De Reuck and Onyango made a terrific reaction save to keep it out.

The Brazilians doubled their lead in the 72nd minute when Lyle Lakay delivered a peach from the left to the back post for Shalulile, who was unmarked and controlled it on the chest before rifling expertly in the bottom far corner.

Pirates were getting their chances though and had another when two Downs defenders went for the same ball and Goodman Mosele headed it into the path of Tshegofatso Mabasa, who unleashed a powerful effort perhaps a

little bit too straight at Onyango, who made another impressive reaction save.

The last action of the match saw Fortune Makaringe curl the ball inches wide of the right-hand post from the left after being played in by Dlamini as the Bucs failed to break the scoresheet despite producing several good moments in the final 20 minutes.

### Confirmed line-ups:

*Pirates: Mpontshane, Jele, Hlatshwayo, Shandu, Mako, Mabaso, Mosele, Pule, Hotto, Dzvukamanja, Mabasa*

*Sundowns: D.Onyango, Lebusa, Coetzee, De Reuck, Lakay, G.Kekana, Jali, Kutumela,*

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