



**SEKHUKHUNE**  
District Municipality

Private Bag X8611 Groblersdal 0470, 3 West Street Groblersdal 0470  
Tel : (013) 262 7300, Fax: (013) 262 3688  
E-Mail : [sekinfo@sekhukhune.co.za](mailto:sekinfo@sekhukhune.co.za)

---

**MEDIA STATEMENT**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**SUNDAY 17 MAY 2020**

**CONCERNS OVER THE RAPID INCREASE OF POSITIVE COVID-19 CASES IN  
SEKHUKHUNE**

The Sekhukhune Covid-19 District Command Council is extremely worried by the rapid increase of infection cases in the district.

Today's data from the provincial Health Department indicates Sekhukhune District Municipality has 24 active cases, up from the 13 recorded yesterday.

Executive Mayor Cllr Keamotseng Stanley Ramaila, who's chairperson of the District Command Council, expresses the concerns.

"We're extremely worried by the fact that our district is rapidly becoming the epicenter in the province," says Ramaila.

He adds: "Evidently, mines in the district are the breeding ground for the coronavirus because all these active infections were recorded in the eastern limb of the Bushveld Complex."

Of all the four local municipalities in the district, only Fetakgomo-Tubatse Local Municipality has active positive cases.

"We're pleading with our communities in the area to be extremely vigilant, at the same time we call on the mines to increase their health and safety protocols," says Ramaila.

Among other things, mines must screen, test and quarantine all the workers for at least 14 days in terms of the agreement reached when they briefed the district command council about their preparedness to resume operations.

ISSUED BY THE SEKHUKHUNE DISTRICT COMMAND COUNCIL

Media Contacts

Moloko Moloto

Communications Manager

083 426 1632

Willie Mosoma

Mayoral Spokesperson

082 416 1347