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MEDIA STATEMENT
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BEWARE OF AN INCREASE IN CORONA VIRUS INFECTIONS

The Sekhukhune COVID-19 District Command Council (DCC) today (Tuesday) held its weekly meeting which comprises representatives from sector departments such as Health, Education, Transport, the district municipality and all local municipalities in Sekhukhune.

The DCC was briefed about ongoing infection cases and interventions in the district.

As of Monday 29 June 2020, there had been 87 active cases in the district (47 in Fetakgomo-Tubatse Local Municipality, 31 in Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality, 8 in Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality and 1 in Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality).

Considering the expected upsurge of COVID-19 infections in the coming weeks, the DCC is calling on one and all in our communities to consider voluntarily putting themselves under restrictions similar to the previous alert level 5 of the lockdown, unless if they're an essential service provider/worker or have an emergency reason to be out in the public.

The DCC was briefed that, unless extraordinary precautions are taken against the dreaded virus, we must brace ourselves for a rapid increase of infections, similar to what had recently transpired in Italy, Brazil and the United States of America.

In a period of two weeks, infections in Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality jumped from 1 to 33.

The areas of Dennilton, Elandsdoorn, Tafelkop, Motetema, Ga-Moloi, Burgersfort, Praktiseer, Driekop and mines operations in the Eastern limb of the Bushveld Complex, are identified as corona virus hotspots.

The DCC is urging community members to avoid going out in public unnecessarily.

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