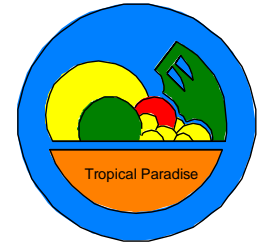




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MAYOR CONDEMNS THE KILLING OF A WOMAN DURING 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM

The killing of Lindiwe Nukeri of Babanana Village amid the "16 Days of Activism of no Violence against Women and Children" campaign must be denounced no matter what. The 40-year-old was purportedly killed on Friday and tossed into a fountain (in excess of 10 meters deep). Her body was found on Sunday and a search and rescue team from SAPS was dispatched to recover the body. The body was recovered at around 11 am and taken to Letaba Hospital for a postmortem.

The maltreatment of women ought not to go on without serious consequences in a democratic South Africa, our women must be secured and it is the obligation of each resident to add to the battle against sexual orientated-based violence. Together, we can win the battle as well as the war.

The individuals who perpetrate these terrible crimes must be uncovered and harshly dealt with to send a message that the maltreatment of women and children has no place in our society. In light of this occurrence, we will strengthen our crusade against gender-based violence and I call with respect to all residents of our municipality and beyond to go along with us in this voyage, each can make a commitment in their little corner.

I need to offer my genuine appreciation to the individuals who came to help amid the operation. I need to explicitly thank the Tzaneen Cluster Commander, General Mathebula and Hosi N'wamitwa who sat all through the activity and in addition all partners and members of the community.

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