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# FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



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## Let us be vigilant and safe during Festive Season

With increased travel, social gatherings, and commercial activity anticipated during the festive period, it is imperative that we remind ourselves as motorists, homeowners and holidaymakers to exercise heightened vigilance and responsibility to ensure a secure and peaceful festive season.

Issues of Safety, Security, Peace, Law and Order remains a shared responsibility; a collective action; none is above the laws. Therefore the Editorial shares the following tips with you:

### On Road Safety:

- Do not drive under the influence of alcohol or any intoxicating substances.
- Ensure adequate rest before undertaking long-distance travel.
- Drive only if you are a licensed driver and ensure that your vehicle is roadworthy.
- Observe speed limits and comply with all road traffic signs.
- Avoid overtaking at blind spots or under unsafe conditions.
- Always wear a seatbelt and ensure that all passengers do the same.
- Exercise patience and consideration towards other road users.
- Report reckless, suspicious, or dangerous driving behaviour to officers on the road or at the nearest police station.
- Above all, strictly adhere to all road traffic rules and regulations.

### Home / Business Security:

- Do not leave homes or business premises unattended.
- Make arrangements with security services, trusted individuals, or neighbours to monitor your property in your absence.
- Actively participate in neighbourhood watch initiatives and other anti-crime forums.
- Inform your nearest police station so that random patrols may be conducted in your area.

### Personal Safety and Crime Prevention:

- Remain vigilant when using ATMs, especially when withdrawing or carrying cash.
- Conceal valuables inside vehicles to avoid attracting break-ins.
- Maintain close supervision of children, particularly near roads, shopping malls, and public events.
- Encourage young people to act responsibly and to avoid illicit drugs, which increase vulnerability to crime.
- Avoid isolated areas and unnecessary movement late at night.
- Report suspicious persons or activities immediately.

### Fraud and Scam Alerts:

- Never share personal information, banking details, or One-Time Passwords (OTPs) via phone calls, emails, or text messages.
- Assist and guide elderly persons, who are often targeted by scammers.

Let us work together to protect our lives and communities by promoting responsibility, vigilance, and cooperation, and thereby ensure a peaceful and joyful festive season for all.

The Inspector General of Police reminds us all to; "Prioritise your safety at all times, support one another, and remain guided by the values of duty, helpfulness, and respect."

*Have a prosperous and safe New Year!!!*

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## 93<sup>RD</sup> INTERPOL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

■ BY DEP.COMM. P.K. SHIKWAMBI

Namibia's bid for the INTERPOL Presidency during the 93rd INTERPOL General Assembly in Marrakech was, unfortunately, not successful.

INTERPOL Presidency was championed by H.E. Dr. Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah, President of the Republic of Namibia, supported by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security; the Ministry of International Relations and Cooperation; and through extensive lobbying with member states since August 2025. The process showcased Namibia's expanding diplomatic footprint and its determination to participate at the highest levels of international security governance.

Major-General Anne-Marie Nainda, Deputy Inspector General responsible for Administration and member of the INTERPOL Executive Committee as Delegate for Africa, contested the Presidency and secured third place behind Turkey, with Ethiopia coming fourth. The final tally saw France winning with 84 votes, followed by

Turkey with 60, Namibia with 12, and Ethiopia with 8.

Addressing the 179 member states in attendance, Major-General Nainda delivered a compelling statement **emphasizing unity, global security, and shared responsibility**.

Although the outcome was not in Namibia's favour, the nation remains immensely proud of Major-General Nainda's leadership, professionalism, and 33 years of dedicated service. Her candidature, endorsed by SADC and strongly supported by the President of the Republic of Namibia, demonstrated the country's readiness to contribute meaningfully to global security governance.

The Inspector General of the Namibian Police Force, on behalf of the campaign team together with Major-General Nainda, expressed heartfelt gratitude to Namibia and all nations that supported her bid.

The 93rd INTERPOL General Assembly took place from 24–27 November 2025 in Marrakech, Morocco. The Namibian delegation was led by Lt-Gen. Joseph S. Shikongo, Inspector General of the Namibian Police Force, accompanied by eight senior officers and one official from the Ministry of International Relations and Cooperation.

During the Assembly, Morocco's Director General of National Security and Territorial Surveillance highlighted their commitment to strengthening multilateral security cooperation and its importance in combating transnational organized crime. He emphasized that this commitment is grounded in the High Instructions of His Majesty King Mohammed VI, who views security as a collective blessing and shared responsibility, one that can only be preserved through strong institutional cooperation, community partnerships, solidarity, and international collaboration.

He further underscored that evolving security challenges transcend borders, making it essential



for law enforcement agencies to build joint and indivisible security structures in cooperation with INTERPOL and global partners.

The General Assembly addressed a wide range of global security challenges, including efforts to identify and dismantle transnational organized crime networks and scam operations. Key discussion areas included strengthening INTERPOL's global policing capabilities, advancing women in policing through leadership for effective change, and reviewing applications to host the General Assembly in 2028.

The Assembly also adopted six Resolutions and elected six new members to the INTERPOL Executive Committee, namely:

1. President: **Mr. Lucas Philippe** (France)
2. Vice President for Asia: **Mr. Wang Yong** (China)
3. Delegate for Africa: **Mr. Issam Fetoui** (Tunisia)
4. Delegate for Africa: **Mr. Mohamed Ibrahim Amin** (Kenya)
5. Delegate for Asia: **Ms. Kazumi Ogasawara** (Japan)
6. Delegate for Europe: **Mr. Stefano Carvelli** (Italy)

Though Namibia did not secure the INTERPOL Presidency, its voice remains strong and its commitment to global safety steadfast.

The country's diplomatic engagement, resilience, and integrity continue to solidify its place in international security collaboration.





# LAUNCH OF FESTIVE SEASON ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGNS AND REGIONAL OPERATIONS OF 2025/2026

BY INSP. I.T. IDUWA (FURTHER CONTRIBUTIONS BY INSP: F.M. KAVERA AND INSP: S.T. KANDJIMI)

## KHOMAS REGION



On Thursday, 20 November 2025, the Namibian Police Force (NamPol), in collaboration with the National Road Safety Council (NRSC), the Motor Vehicle Accident Fund (MVA), and the Road Fund Administration (RFA), officially launched the 2025/2026 Festive Season Road Safety Campaign under the theme **"Do the Right Thing and Save Lives."** The launch coincided with the inauguration of the newly upgraded Okapuka Road Traffic Checkpoint in the Khomas Region, underscoring the importance of responsible road use during the high-risk festive season.

The campaign marks the commencement of coordinated, countrywide efforts to reduce road accidents, injuries, and fatalities during the festive period. These efforts include the establishment of strategically positioned traffic checkpoints along Namibia's major national and regional routes, including the B1, B2, B4, B8, and other high-traffic corridors, to enhance road safety and law enforcement visibility.

The launch event was officiated by Honourable Veikko Nekundi, Minister of Works and

Transport, who inaugurated the Okapuka Road Traffic Checkpoint on behalf of the President. The inauguration was held under the theme **"Enhancing Policing and Road Safety through Sustainable Campaigns and Infrastructure Development."**

The Okapuka Road Traffic Checkpoint is situated as a key gateway into the capital city, Windhoek, and plays a critical role in combating the movement of contraband, stolen and un-roadworthy vehicles, as well as other criminal activities. The facility was constructed through collaboration between RFA and NamPol, with construction spanning approximately one year and three months.

Another keynote address was delivered by Honourable Lucia Lipumbu, Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security, who emphasized that the Okapuka Road Traffic Checkpoint is not merely a point of inspection but a frontline instrument of national security, public safety, and crime prevention.

She stated that the upgraded facility will significantly enhance the ability to detect and deter criminal activities, enforce road traffic laws, and provide a safer and more efficient environment for both officers and motorists. The Minister further urged all road users to make informed and responsible travel decisions, adhere strictly to traffic laws, and practice safe driving and pedestrian behavior to safeguard lives during the festive season and beyond.

Lieutenant General Joseph S. Shikongo, Inspector-General of the Namibian Police Force, led a guided tour of the Okapuka Road Traffic Checkpoint. The facilities include two truck sheds, a charge office, three offices, an armory, CCTV room, kitchenette, server room, storeroom, boardroom, and ablution facilities for both staff and the public.

The tour highlighted the checkpoint's enhanced operational capacity, advanced monitoring infrastructure, and the importance of inter-agency collaboration in ensuring safer roads during peak travel periods.





## KAVANGO EAST REGION

Kavango East Region officially launched its 2025 Festive Season Operation on 08 December 2025 at the Masivi Roadblock. The event brought together external stakeholders, representatives from various ministries, NamPol Crime Prevention groups, the Women and Men Network Against Crime (WMNAC), Youth Against Crime (YAC), and members of the community. The launch marked a significant step toward strengthening community collaboration, road safety, and crime prevention during the festive period.

Delivering the keynote address, the Governor of Kavango East Region, Mr. Hamunyera Hambyuka, emphasized the importance of unity and strong interpersonal relationships within communities. He highlighted that a lack of familiarity among residents contributes significantly to crime, noting that many people live side by side without meaningful engagement.

He further observed that **community members often do not know their local police officers, despite relying on them for protection.**



The Governor called for renewed solidarity, trust, and communication as key strategies in preventing crime. The Regional Commander, Commissioner Andreas Haingura, reminded attendees that increased traffic volumes and festive celebrations often result in preventable road accidents. He appealed to drivers, pedestrians, and all road

users to take responsibility by adhering to traffic regulations, avoiding alcohol consumption while driving, and ensuring that vehicles are roadworthy.

He further encouraged police officers and road safety partners to remain vigilant and committed throughout the festive operation.

## ERONGO REGION



In Erongo Region, NamPol officially launched the 2025/2026 Festive Season Operations on 09 December 2025 at the Swakopmund Road Traffic Checkpoint. The launch marked the commencement of intensified traffic law enforcement operations aimed at protecting road users during a period characterized by significantly increased travel to and within the coastal region.

Held under the theme **#DoTheRightThingAndSaveLives**, the event was attended by senior government officials, regional and local authorities, law enforcement agencies, members of the Erongo Region Road Safety Forum, faith-based leaders, and members of the media. The initiative reinforced the collective responsibility of all stakeholders in preventing road crashes and reducing fatalities during one of the busiest travel periods of the year.

The Governor of Erongo Region, Honourable Natalia /Goagoses, commended NamPol and its partners for their proactive and preventative approach to road safety, noting that the Erongo Region remains one of Namibia's most popular

festive season destinations. She emphasized that road safety requires cooperation between law enforcement agencies, road safety stakeholders, and road users. The Governor urged motorists to obey traffic laws, exercise patience, and refrain from reckless behavior such as speeding and driving under the influence of alcohol, while reaffirming regional government support for road safety initiatives.

The Erongo Police Regional Commander, Commissioner Nikolaus Kapirika Kupembona, outlined the operational scope of the festive season roadblocks, which will run from 09 December 2025 to 16 January 2026. He explained that enforcement efforts will focus on excessive speeding, illegal overtaking, moving violations, driving under the influence of alcohol, and driver fatigue, with particular attention given to heavy-duty vehicles operating along routes linked to the Port of Walvis Bay.

He further emphasized that the success of the operation relies on strong multi-agency collaboration, including joint deployments by NamPol Traffic Law Enforcement, Roads Authority



Road Inspectors, and Local Authority Traffic Officers from Swakopmund, Walvis Bay, Henties Bay, and Arandis. Static roadblocks are supported by mobile patrols and high-visibility policing at identified accident-prone locations across national roads. Reflecting on the 2024/2025 festive season, the Regional Commander reported positive enforcement outcomes, including a slight reduction in road fatalities, while reiterating that any loss of life remains unacceptable.

The official launch of the 2025/2026 Festive Season Roadblocks reaffirmed NamPol's commitment to proactive, intelligence-led, and partnership-based road safety policing. Through strong leadership, coordinated enforcement, and community cooperation, NamPol continues to work towards ensuring safer roads for all. The message remains clear: **Do the right thing and save lives.**

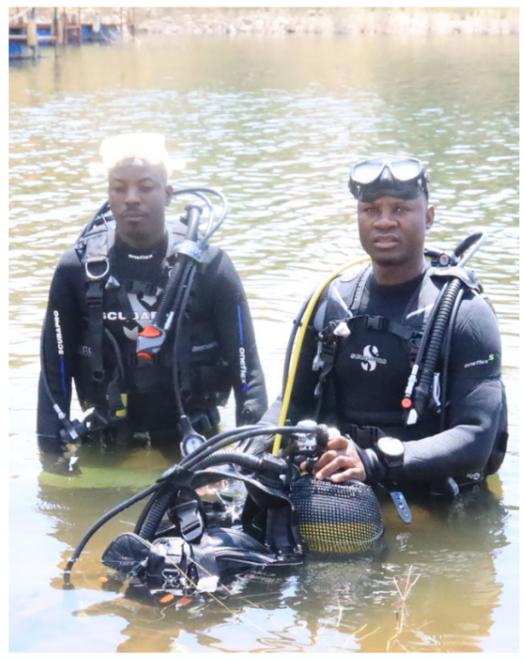
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# CAMERA CAPTURES







## LATE CHIEF CHRISTIAN EERIKE ZERAEUA HONOURED IN OMATJETE SETTLEMENT

■ BY INSP S.T. KANDJIMI

The Namibian Police Force (NamPol), in collaboration with Government leadership and the Erongo Regional community, marked a significant milestone in the advancement of safety and justice with the official inauguration of the Chief Christian Eerike Zeraeua Police Station at Omatjete Settlement, Daures Constituency, Erongo Region, on Monday, 15 December 2025.

The newly constructed police station was officially inaugurated by the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security, Honourable Lucia Ipumbu and named after the former head of the Herero Zeraeua Royal House, late chief Christian Eerike Zeraeua. Minister Ipumbu pointed out that naming the police station after the late chief is a powerful and deliberate act in remembrance of a visionary traditional leader whose life's work centred on protecting his people, uniting communities and advancing their socio-economic wellbeing.

During a ceremony attended by national and regional leaders, senior NamPol officers, traditional and community leaders, and members of the public. In her keynote address, the Minister emphasized that the inauguration represents Government's continued commitment to strengthening law and order, improving service delivery, and enhancing access to justice, particularly in rural and developing communities.

She called on police officers stationed at the facility to ensure that the station becomes a centre of professionalism, integrity, unity, and justice, where members of the public are treated with dignity and fairness. The Minister further underscored the importance of harmonious working relations among officers and highlighted that modern policing infrastructure is essential for effective crime prevention, timely response, and quality service delivery to previously underserved communities.

Speaking at the event, the Inspector-General of the Namibian Police Force, Lieutenant General Joseph Shimweelao Shikongo, stressed the importance of community participation in the fight against crime. He urged members of the public to cooperate with the police by reporting criminal activities, refusing to purchase stolen goods, and actively discouraging criminal behavior. He emphasized that sustainable safety can only be achieved through trust, cooperation, and shared responsibility between law enforcement and the communities they serve.

The Governor of the Erongo Region, Honourable Natalia /Goagoses, delivered welcoming remarks and reaffirmed Government's commitment to strengthening safety, justice, and service delivery in rural areas. She honored the legacy of the late Chief Christian Eerike Zeraeua, acknowledging his contribution to leadership, unity, and community development. The Governor called on residents

to safeguard the facility against vandalism and urged full cooperation with police officers to combat crime, address gender-based violence, and promote unity, liberty, and justice.

The police station is equipped with modern facilities designed to enhance operational efficiency, including a charge office with eight offices, holding rooms, a mortuary, three three-bedroom houses, barracks with ten rooms, and three police cells, among other amenities. One police vehicle was also allocated to support operational duties.

The establishment of the station significantly enhances police presence in Omatjete and surrounding areas, reducing response times and improving access to essential services such as crime reporting and investigation, victim support, certification of documents, affidavits, detention and processing of suspects, crime prevention initiatives, and community policing services.

The inauguration marked a major step forward in strengthening policing capacity and access to justice in the Erongo Region, reaffirming Government's vision of inclusive development where no community is left behind.

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# NAMPOL OFFICERS STRENGTHENED THROUGH HUMAN RIGHTS AND ETHICAL POLICING TRAINING



■ BY SGT: S.S. HAMUKWAYA

The Namibian Institute of Public Administration and Management (NIPAM) hosted a four-day capacity-building programme from 17 to 20 November 2025, aimed at strengthening understanding and application of human rights and ethical policing within the Namibian Police Force. The training, held under the theme *"Upholding Human Rights and Ethical Policing in Namibia,"* brought together officers from all fourteen regions, demonstrating a nationwide commitment to professionalism, accountability, and respect for human dignity.

The programme was facilitated by the Office of the Ombudsman, led by Advocate Basilius Dyakugha, supported by experienced officials, as well as Advocate Lucious Matota, Chief Public Prosecutor from the Office of the Prosecutor-General. The training employed interactive teaching methods, including lectures, discussions, case studies, group exercises, and feedback sessions, enabling officers to reflect on real-life policing scenarios. The programme was officially opened by the Head of Police Conduct Investigations, Commissioner Jamunomundu Kazekondjo, on behalf of the Inspector-General. He emphasised that *human rights are fundamental obligations rooted in the*

*Constitution and central to effective policing. He reminded officers that authority must always be exercised with dignity, fairness, and impartiality, noting that ethical policing is a culture rather than a single act.*

Advocate Dyakugha highlighted that respect for human rights strengthens policing and builds public trust, while Advocate Matota stressed that unlawful practices undermine justice and successful prosecutions.

Officers explored topics including humane treatment of detainees, arrest and detention of juveniles, prevention of torture, and handling of gender-based violence cases. At the closing ceremony, Commissioner Kazekondjo commended participants for their active engagement and encouraged them to apply and share the knowledge gained. All participants received certificates in recognition of their commitment and responsibility.

The programme concluded with a renewed sense of duty, reaffirming that upholding human rights is essential to public trust, justice, and professionalism within the Namibian Police Force.

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## Message To All Police Officers

Dear Colleagues, as we enter the 2025–2026 Festive Season, I extend my sincere appreciation to each one of you for your unwavering commitment, professionalism, and sacrifice throughout the year. This period demands heightened alertness and dedicated service, and I am confident that, as always, you will carry out your duties with honor and integrity.

Let us continue to uphold the highest standards of discipline, vigilance, and courtesy while engaging the public. Your presence, actions, and leadership on the ground are critical in safeguarding lives, maintaining law and order, and fostering public trust.

I urge you to prioritize your safety at all times, support one another, and remain guided by the values of duty, helpfulness and respect. Thank you for your service to our nation.

I wish you and your families a peaceful, safe, and blessed festive season.

LIEUTENANT GENERAL  
**J. S. SHIKONGO, 'G.C.O.E', 'OMS'**  
INSPECTOR GENERAL  
NAMIBIAN POLICE FORCE





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# LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL

## ...as Kavango East Region NamPol Women Network led donation efforts for a vulnerable community member...



BEFORE: Mapi's initial home



AFTER: Newly constructed home...

BY INSP F.M KAVERA

In a remarkable act of kindness and community spirit, Kavango East NamPol Women Network in collaboration with generous local businesses and individuals, extended a helping hand to a vulnerable woman, Kunyanda Eufemia Mapi (33) at Gumma village in Ndonga Linena Constituency by constructing a new roof for her home. The donation and construction took place on 10 November 2025 whilst the official handing over of the newly constructed home took place on 19 November 2025.

The initiative came after the woman's living condition was identified through a community-needs-assessment conducted by Senior Inspector Ndumba the station commander of Ndiyona Police Station. Mapi's roof has been severely unconditional, leaving her exposed to harsh weather conditions. Responding to her plight, NamPol officers through the Women Network office in Kavango East Region mobilized

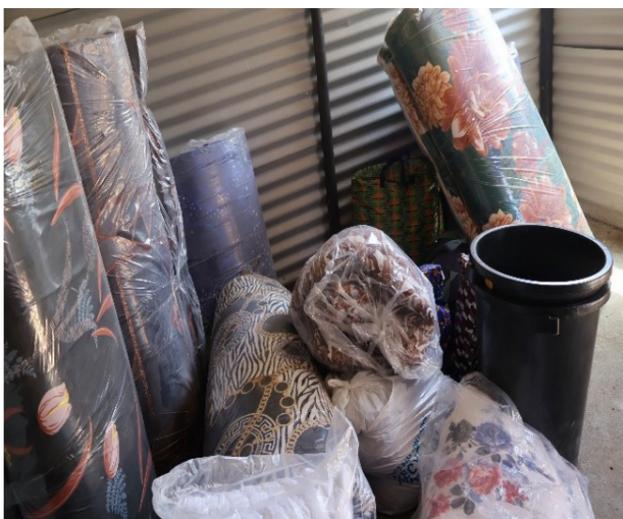
support from various donors, who contributed essential building materials such as zinc iron sheets, timber, nails, window/door frames and beddings such as blankets, mattresses as well as kitchen utilities.

With teamwork and dedication, officers volunteered their time and skills to rebuild and install a well-made roof, ensuring the woman's home became safe and habitable. The gesture not only improved her living conditions but also demonstrated the police's strong commitment to community service beyond their law enforcement duties.

Speaking during the handover, the recipient deeply moved by the support, expressed heartfelt appreciation to NamPol and donors for restoring her dignity and bringing hope in her life. This act of generosity serves as an inspiring example and highlights NamPol's ongoing commitment to social responsibility and community engagement.

The village headman, Mashika Laurentius Ntjinano, who also attended the handing over, expressed deep appreciation to NamPol and the donors for their compassion. He acknowledged that many people in the community hold a narrow perception of the police, believing their role is limited only to arresting offenders. "Little did we know that the police also extend a helping hand in times of need. Today we have witnessed their humanity and dedication to uplifting our people. This act has changed how many of us view the police". The headman further indicated that he will continue admiring what the police have done in his community and called for his subjects to work closely with the police.

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# OPERATION “LIKUNGA KO VAKOROKOTJI”

## SUPPORTS A VULNERABLE WOMAN

■ BY INSP KAVERA

A 33-year-old woman, a mother of five from Guma Village in the Ndonga Linena Constituency, has been living under extremely difficult conditions following the passing of her mother in 2006 and her fiancé in 2024.

This woman, who is the third-born of four siblings, returned to her late mother’s old homestead after losing her fiancé, the father of her children. Her children range in age from 11 years to two-year-old twins, with the two eldest attending at Karukuta Primary School. Due to a lack of documentation and unresolved family matters, the household receives no government support and survives mainly through subsistence fishing.

The situation was identified during a community needs assessment conducted by the Station Commander of Ndiyona Police Station. This is deemed to be in line with NamPol’s mandate to protect life and property and to understand community challenges.

On 26 July 2025, Operation “Likunga ko Vakorokotji,” a women-led initiative under NamPol Social Wellness programs, provided foodstuffs and toiletries to the family, to sustain the household for some time.

The beneficiary expressed heartfelt appreciation for the support, while community members, including the Acting Headwoman and neighbors, welcomed the intervention and encouraged continued assistance. The matter was brought to the attention of the Ministry of Gender Equality, Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare, to be followed up so as to ensure long-term support.

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# NAMPOL HOSTS SPORT FUN DAY 2025 AT KHOMASDAL STADIUM

■ BY W/O M.T.P. GABRIEL

The Namibian Police Force (NamPol) hosted a Sport Fun Day at Khomasdal Stadium in Windhoek. The event aimed not only to promote physical wellness through sport and recreational activities, but also to foster unity, teamwork, and community spirit among participants.

The day commenced with a vibrant street procession led by the NamPol Brass Band and featured participation from various NamPol departments, the Men and Women Network, and several key stakeholders. The procession symbolized solidarity, inclusivity, and the shared commitment to healthy living.

The official opening ceremony was officiated by the Inspector-General for Operations, Major General Elias Mutota, on behalf of the Inspector-General of the Namibian Police Force, Lieutenant General Joseph Shimweelao Shikongo. In his keynote address, Major General Mutota expressed appreciation to all distinguished guests and participants for supporting the Police Fun Day initiative. He stated that the gathering reflected the values of unity, teamwork, and the pursuit of excellence in everyday life.

Major General Mutota highlighted that law enforcement comprises a dynamic workforce prepared to respond to any call of duty, including participation in sporting activities. He noted that **policing is a challenging yet noble profession** requiring unwavering dedication, discipline, and resilience, and emphasized the pivotal role of sport in promoting physical fitness, teamwork, mental wellbeing, and emotional resilience among police officers.

He encouraged members to actively participate in various sporting codes, stressing that physical fitness enhances job performance and overall wellbeing. He further urged participants to engage in the spirit of fun and friendly competition while maintaining high levels of discipline throughout the event. The platform was also used to encourage members to remain devoted, patriotic, and impartial in the delivery of policing services to the public.

Also addressing the gathering was Commissioner Jack Nangolo, Chairperson of the NamPol Sports Council and Head of Human Capital Management Directorate. He reiterated the unifying power of sport. He noted that sport strengthens interpersonal

relationships within the force and has the potential to positively shape societies. Commissioner Nangolo expressed sincere gratitude to all stakeholders and partners who contributed to the success of the event.

The Khomas Regional Commander, Commissioner Steenkamp, emphasized the importance of sport as a tool to foster unity, discipline, and community spirit among police officers and the broader public. He urged participants to embrace teamwork and sportsmanship as core values reflective of effective policing.

The event featured a variety of sporting and recreational activities, including athletics, organized sport codes, and social games. Entertainment and exhibitions added to the festive atmosphere, providing an opportunity for NamPol members and the community to interact in a relaxed and friendly environment. Stakeholders such as Sanlam Namibia, Nedbank, Letshego, Old Mutual, BIPA, and MTC, among others, participated through exhibitions and engagement in various sporting activities.



“...policing is a challenging yet noble profession ...”

**Major General Elias Mutota**





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- The heading and the story MUST correlate and should have coherence.
- Exact quotes, opinions and all information that one did not witness must be attributed.
- If other people's work is used in compiling the story, it should be referenced.

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The Editorial team encourages members of the Force to continue contributing to the production of the Journal. Sent your contributions to Public Relations Division emails provided herein. We look forward to read your story, letter, opinion or poem in the next edition.

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