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Vaccine drive gathers pace



Image: Department of Health

The COVID-19 vaccination programme has expanded to include police officers and other security personnel, among other groups.

As South Africa battles a third wave of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), the country's mass vaccination programme is expanding to include more categories of people.

South Africans between the ages of 50 and 59 are expected

to start receiving vaccines from 15 July.

"The [vaccination] programme has picked up significant momentum, with key milestones being achieved as we move forward," said President Cyril Ramaphosa.

The first phase of the vaccination programme focused on

healthcare workers, while the second phase targeted the age group of 60 and above.

The national vaccination programme is now continuing along defined streams.

The first stream is the general population according to age groups. On 1 July, registration for vaccination on the Elec-

tronic Vaccination Data System (EVDS) opened to 50 to 59 year olds.

The second stream commenced with those working in the basic education sector, which includes teachers. They started receiving vaccines in June.

The third stream is focusing on police and other security personnel. Those who fall under this sector started receiving the vaccine at the beginning of July.

The fourth stream is through workplace programmes in key economic sectors, such as mining, manufacturing and the taxi industry.

Arrival of vaccines

The vaccination programme is expected to pick up pace with the arrival of more vaccines in the country.

Acting Health Minister Mmamoloko Kubayi-Ngubane said about 2.1 million doses of the Pfizer vaccine are expected to

arrive in July.

Pfizer delivered nearly 4.5 million doses in quarter two and has committed to just over 15.5 million doses in quarter three.

"Johnson and Johnson has so far delivered 500 000 early access doses used for Sisonke, 300 000 market doses two weeks ago and 1.2 million doses, [which] landed recently. These doses all need to be used by 11 August."

The country is also awaiting confirmation of a further of 500 000 doses, which expire on a later date than the other doses.

Red alert

While Gauteng remains the epicentre of the COVID-19 pandemic Minister Kubayi-Ngubane has warned that many provinces in the country are almost at red alert as infections continue to increase.

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AmaBhizinisi womBuso (ama-SOE) Kumele Asebenzele UkuKhulisa Umnotho Netjhuguluko

Sekuminyaka kwanjesi, ukuphathwa kumbi kwamaBhizinisi womBuso (ama-SOE) weSewula Afrika ayindabamlonyeni emphakathini nekomitjhaneni yokugolwa kwelawulo lombuso okufaka hlangana nobukohlakali kezeemali.

Ngaphezulu kwalokho, ukunganikelwa isekelomali elijayelekileko elivela kurhulumende, amanye ama-SOE amakhulu naqakatheke khu lu bekatekateka bekahluleka ukwenza imisebenzayo.

Ama-SOE la kufanele adose phambili ekutjhuguleni umnotho begodu nomphakathi. Banesibopho sokunikela ngomthangalaisekelo nezenzelwa eku ngikho lapha umnotho uthembele khona, nanoma ngabe kukhiqizwa kwegezi, iinthuthi zabakhweli, ukusatjalaliswa kwamanzi, ukuthuthwa kwepahlanofana zokuthintana ngokomrhala.

Umnqopho wethu wokuphathwa mbuso kuvezwa sdingo sokusebenza kuhle kwamabubulo wethintanoliqa aqakathekileko, okufana namandla weembaseli anjenengezei namadoyelo wemikhunji, nangesidingo sokuqinisekisa bona iindingo ezisiekelo zabantu beSewula Afrika, khulukhulu abatlhogako, zingafezwa.

Sikholelwa ngokuqinileko bona ukulawula komphakathi kuyatlhogeka kiyo imikhakha ebuthakathaka yomnotho begodu nokuthi inarha itlhoga ama-SOE asimeleleko akgona ukusebenzela ukukhulisa umnotho netjhuguluko.

Lokhu kunjalo ikakhulukazi ekusatjalalisweni kweze-



nzela zomphakathi ezifana negezi namanzi, lapha ama-SOE akgona ukulandela iganja lokuthuthuka ekarekweni yomphakathi ngokungafani naleyo eqothela ukwenza imali kwaphela.

Kungenca yalokho kuli-qalontanzi ukobana urhulumente atjhugulule ukusebenza kwamakhampani ngehloso yokuqedu ubukohlakali, ukuthuthukisa ukubusa kwavo begodu anikelwe amandla wokulima indima ekufanele ayilime ekurageni umsebenzi wokuhulisa umnotho begodu nekuvulweni kwamathuba wemisebenzi.

Kuze kube nje, siqale amatjhuguluko ambalwa wokunzinisa ama-SOE la ukuze akgone ukukhiquza imiphumela edingwa begodu elindelwe lilizwe lekhethu.

Yinye yamatjhuguluko aqakathekileko atholakala emkhakheni wezamandla. Sesithomile ngekambiso yokuhlela kabutjha i-Eskom bona ibe yi-SOE ngokwaphiko amathathu ahl-

kahlukeneko, aqalene nezizukulwana, ukudluliswa nokwabelana, ngokulandelana. Lokhu kungebangalokobana isakhiwo se-Eskom besingakalungeli ukutjhuguluka kwendawo yamandla. Beyingasebenzi kuhle begodu ibiza khulu begodu beyingasisepepeneneni ngokwaneleko.

Ukusungulwa kwebhizini yokusabalalisa igezi kuzokutjho bona i-Eskom izokukghona ukuthenga igezi kubathengisi abahlukahlukeneko, bamabubulo wangeqadinofana bombuso. Lokhu kuzokuthuthukisa ukuba sepepeneneni, kwanidise ukuphalisana begodu kuzokwandisa izinga lokuthengwa kwegezi ngamananaphasi khulu.

Ngokusebenzisa iHlelo labaKhiqizi abaziJameleko beGezi eVuselelwako (*i-Renewable Energy Independent Power Producers*), kube nesismali langeqadi eliphawulekako ekukhiquzweni kwegezi. Ngesiphakamiso sokwandisa ukukhutjhwawangaphandle, kuzokutjho bona kuzokuba nokuphalisana

kwamalayisensi wokukhiquza igezi – lapha amakhampani azikhqizela igezi begodu neyabanye abasebenzi bezamarhwebo – ukusuka ku-1MW ukuya ku-100MW, singalindela ukwanda kwe-somali yangeqadi.

Lokhu kuqakathekilengesikhathi lapha inarha itlhagiswa kuragela phambilikokutlhayela kwegezi begodu lapha i-Eskom nofana umbuso ungeze wakghona ukutjala imali ezakuzuzisa isizukulwana esizako.

Okuqakathekileko, kubokana amatjhuguluko la azokunikela i-Eskom ithuba lokuqalana neentjhijilo zemali nezokusebenza.

Enye yamatjhuguluko aqakathekileko kusungulwa kwe-National Ports Authority njengephiko elizijameleko le-Transnet.

Le yingcenyehleloqhingga le-Transnet lokuvuselela umthangalasisekelo wezepahla. I-Transnet ihlela ukutjala imali engangekhulalamabhiliyon wamaranda eminyakeni engaphezu kemihlanu ezako ngehloso yokuthuthukisa umthangalasisekelo ngaphezu kwehlelo lekhumulo lemikhunji. Lokhu kuzokwenza bona amakhumulo wemikhunji welizwe lekhethu asebenze kuhle khulu begodu nepahla yethu ethunyelwa ngaphandle ibe nokuphalisana begodu ngalokho kuzuze amahlangothi woke ngomnotho.

Kumthengi ojayeletekileko, kuzokutjho ukuthi amanani wepahla yethu ngobunengi azokwehliswa esikhathini eside. Kubathengisi bapahla ethunyelwa emazweni wangaphandle, kuzokutjho bona kuzokuba nokuphalisana

okukhulu kumamakethe wephasi loke zombelele.

Njengombana ipahla ethu-nyelwa emazweni wanga-phandle isanda nje, umnotho welizwe lekhethu uzoku-hluma begodu ukghonakalise ukuvulwa kwemisebenzi eminengi. Amakhumulo we-mikhunji amanengi asebenza kuhle azokwenza bona umnotho woke usebenze ngcono – begodu njengoba ubukhulu bamakhumulo wemikhunji busanda nje – kuzokuvuleka amathuba wemisebenzi kile-koro yekhumulo lemikhunji.

Ukusungulwa kwe-National Ports Authority njengephiko le-Transnet ngebodi yayo, hlangana nezinye izinto, kutjho ukuthi ingenisomali eyenziwa makhumulo wemikhunji izakusetjenziswaeikhale sephala yokusebenza edala nokuthuthukisa begodu nokwandumisa amakhumulo wemikhunji welizwe lekhethu, okungiwo umsebenzi ebewudosela emuva ukuhluma komnotho eminyakeni edlula kelitjhumi.

Hlangana nezinye izinto, amatjhuguluko la azokukhuthaza isisomali yangeqadi ekulu kumthangalasisekelo wezomnotho welizwe lekhethu. Abanye abantu baveza amazizo wabo bona lokhu kuzokwehlisa ukuqakatheka nofana kunciphise ukupakatheka kwama-SOE. Eqinisweni, lokhu kuzowadzimelelisa ama-SOE.

Amatjhuguluko la azokuqinisekisa bona ngesikhathi amahleloqhinga womthangalasisekelo ahllala aqinile ezandleni zombuso, am-SOE wethu azokusebenza kuhle khulu begodu amabubulo asekewako azokuba nekghono lokuphalisana. Ngokulingana, amatjhuguluko la aqakathekile ukuqinisekisa bona ama-SOE athoma ngomsebenzi wabo wetuthuko ukusekela boke abahlali begodu nomnotho.

Ihloso yethu ihlala ivena bona ama-SOE kufanele ali-me indima eqakathekileko yokuthuthukisa neyokuselka ukukhula komnotho welizwe lekhethu. Umsebenzethu ukobana siwabeke esigabeniesihle, ukuzeakhgone ukuzuza abasisimali abaqakathekileko abathenge amatjhhere kiwo – ekubabantu beSewula Afrika. **V**

Zivikele Ekwetjelwani Imininingwana Yakho

UKUZE UBALEKELE ukuba

ngungazimbi wokwetjelwa imininingwana, kuqakathekile bona ubike msinyazana ukulahleka nofana ukwetjiwa kukaMazisi nofana iPhaspodi ngokurhabileko.

Kgaogelo Letsebe

U-Shenki Mabitse-la (28) wazi koke okuphathelene nokwetjiwa kwemini-ningwana yomuntu begodu nobugebengu obuphathelene nalokho, njengombana khewaba ngungazimbi wokwetjelwa imininingwana esikhathini esa-dlulako. .

U-Mabitsela, ovela e-Modimolle enge-Limpopo, wafaka isibawo sokuboleka imali ebhangangoSinyikhaba 2020, kodwana watjelwabona uneenkolodo ezinengi khulu begodu isibawo sakhe akhenge siphumelele.

"Ngakhamba ngayokufaka isibawo sokuboleka imali kwesikhathjhana esifitjhani njengobana bengilinga ukuziphilisa ngemva kujanyiswa emsebenzini ngenyanga kaMgwengweni 2020. Okwangimangazako kukobana ngatjelwa bona angikalungeli ukuthola imali yokubolekiswa"

"Ekuthomeni bengicabanga bona bekungebang lomrholo wami ongakanzi-nzi, kodwana bekungasiko lokho. Bengazi bona bengine-akhawunti yinye yezembatho begodu benganganaso esinye isikolodo, yekeke ngabawa iphepha lephrofayili yami," kutjho

u-Mabitsela.

U-Mabitsela wabona bona amakontraka amabili wabomailedinini, imbolekomali yebhangangange-R65 000 begodu nama-akhawunti ambalwa weentolo besele avulwe ngebizo lakhe. Isikolodwesi bekungesemali engafika ku-R100 000.

Ngaphambi kokumenyezelwa kwesiGaba sesiHlanusokuQinteliswa kwamaKhambo nemisebenzi eThileko elizweni lekhethu, ngalahkelwa nguMazisi. Bengocabanga bona ukhona ngenndlini begodu bengingakatshwenyeki kangako ngomvana benginalo iKaradamazisi," kutjho u-Mabitsela.

Ngemva kokulemuka bona kunomuntu obekenza iinkolodo ngebizo lakhe, u-Mabitsela wavula icala lokwetjelwa imininingwana emapholiseni welizwe leSewula Afrika (kwa-SAPS). Kwafuneka bona atlole i-afidavithi etjhoko bona ulahlekelwe nguMazisi bese ayithathe ayise kubbolekisi

u-Mabitsela.

U-Manie van Schalkwyk, omNqophisi oLawulako kwa-SAFPS, uthi: "Inteto etshwenya khulu kubana ubulelesi bokuzenza umuntu ongasuye okwaziwa ngokuthi kukwetjiwa kweminingwana bande ngendlela ethusako kwafika ema-33%.

U-Van Schalkwyk uthi kufanele abantu babike msinyana ukulahleka nofana

bemali ikhambisana neno-mboro yakhe yokuvulwa kwecala ukubalekela ukuthi ibizo lakhe lifakwe erhweiweni labantu abangakavu-nyelwa ukukolodisa (*Blacklist*).

Isehlakalo sika-Mabitsela akusiyinto etja, kuyinto evamileko. Ngokuya kombiko ngezokukhwabanisa ovela kwa-South African Fraud Prevention Service (SAFPS) wango-2020, ngomnyaka odlulileko izehlakalo zokukhwabanisa zikhuphuke nge-161% ePumalanga Kapa kwathi e-Gauteng zaba li-120%.

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ukwetjiwa kwaboMazisi nofana amaPhaspodi.

Ubeke wathi: "Ukubika ukulahlekelwa nofana ukwetjelwa uMazisi kwa-SAFPS begodu nakwa-SAPS kuqinisekisa bona sikghone ukufaka imininingwanakho kubulungolwazi begodu sazise namalunga wethu ngesehlakalo sakho. Bangagkhona ukuthatha amanye amagadango wokutlhogomela lokha nabaqinisekisa imininingwana yomuntu."

Nangabe uMazisi wakho ulahlekile nofana wetjiwe, dosela bakwa-SAFPS umtato ku-**011 867 2234**

nofana ubathumele i-imeyili ku-protection@safps.org.za. Kufanele udosele bakwa-SAPS umtato ku-**08600 10111** nofana uvakatjhele isitetjhi samapholisa esiseduze.

Bees make life sweeter at Moja Gabedi

Allison Cooper

A University of Pretoria (UP) community engagement project is training students and community members to become beekeepers in Hatfield, Gauteng.

Six people are being trained to care for beehives that were discovered at Moja Gabedi, a UP community engagement project which was an unofficial rubbish dump for about 100 years.

Moja Gabedi was an unsightly, empty lot in Festival Street, not far from the university's Hatfield Campus.

The university's Commu-

nity Engagement Unit transformed the dumpsite into a shelter for the homeless, with lush gardens, vegetables, trees and flowing canals.

"When we started clearing the site, we discovered bees deep underground in a corner of the plot. When the site was developed further, professional beekeepers were called in to relocate the bees into a hive," says Gernia van Niekerk, Moja Gabedi's Community Engagement Manager.

While there was initially only one hive, three more have been added since June 2020.

This presented an opportunity to train UP students and

community members to care for the hives, and Mike Lang from Urban Bees offered to conduct a beekeeping course.

Thanks to sponsors of protective gear and tools for beekeeping, the course was offered for free to two UP students, three community members and two urban farmers.

They all attended an introductory class and were taught about bees, how a bee colony works, how to work with beekeeping equipment and safety practices.

UP student Daddy Kgonothi says at first, he wasn't really interested in bees.

"When I learnt more, I understood that one should



make the garden user-friendly for bees. If you know how to approach bees correctly, you'll come to see that they are fascinating insects, he says.

Community member Reckson Tshehla, who also attended the course, is keen to expand his knowledge about bees.

"It was the first time I saw a queen bee. I never thought I would get the opportunity to learn about bees."

"Moja Gabedi changed me. I experienced many things for the first time. Everything is so well organised," he says.

Follow up training and practical classes will be conducted on colony management, managing diseases, honey production and processing, handling beeswax and pollen trapping. Those who complete the training will work with the site's bees and get practical experience with Urban Bees.