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Mother receives National Order for brave son



■ Sarah Tambani and her grandchild, eight-year-old Tshiamo, looking at a picture of her late son Thapele who received the National Order of Mendi for Bravery.

THAPELO TAMBANI braved a waterlogged and muddy trench to rescue a friend.

Silusapho Nyanda

A 10-year-old deaf boy who died saving another child

posthumously received a National Order, the Order of Mendi for Bravery in Silver.

The National Orders are

the highest awards that South Africa bestows and are presented annually by the President of South Africa.

Thapele Tambani's mother Sarah Tambani received his award from President Cyril Ramaphosa, in recognition of the little boy's selfless act of saving another life, which led to his unfortunate demise.

Thapele drowned last year in a muddy construction pit after successfully pulling a friend to safety.

The tragedy took place in Soshanguve, north of Pretoria. According to media reports at the time, Thapele's friend had fallen into the large pit, which was filled with muddy rain water, at an excavation site. Thapele managed to save his friend but was overcome by the mud.

Thapele's mother said his heroic act, although painful, was part of his character – he was a helpful boy, she said.

She said her son was very clever and had received three certificates of excellence at school.

Speaking ahead of the ceremony, the mother said that her son's hearing impairment did not hold him back.

"Even though he could not

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Mmušo o thekga Thuto ya Digotlane (ECD)

Mmušo o ikgafetše go ECD, yeo e lemogwago lefaseng ka moka bjalo ka peeletšo ye maatla kudu mo letlotlong la batho leo naga e ka le dirago.

“Ge re nyaka go fediša leboo la bohloki, re hloka go iša bana ba bahloki sekolong,” gwa realo Mopresidente Cyril Ramaphosa ka Polelo ya gagwe ya Maemo a Setšhaba (SoNA).

Go hlokega ga dibaka le disenogare nakong ya bana ge e sa le ba banyenyane e ka dira gore bana ba banyenyane ba se hlokomelwe gomme ya fediša bokgoni bja bona bja go atlege.

Le ge go le bjalo, ka 2009 setsebi sa ECD sa Yunibesithi ya Bokone Bophirima, Naga Julia Seleti, o boletše Tlhahlong ya Sethekniki ya Panka ya Lefase ya Lenaneo la Tlhokomelo le Tlhabollo ya Bana e sa le ba Banyenyane ya Afrika gore mokgwa wa kgethollo wa pele ga 1994 ga se wa kwela le bana bohloko.

Go be go se na dipholisi tša ECD, le go bana bao ba bego ba holega, go be go na fela le mokgwa wo o aroganego wa ditirelo tša ECD, tšeo bana ba mmalwa ba hlegilego go wona.

O boletše gore tlhabollo ya pholisi yeo e beakantšwego ka Afrika Borwa e thomile fela mo mengwageng ya pele ya bo 1990, ka morago ga ge Mopresidente wa Maloba Nelson Mandela a lokollo-tšwego kgolegong.



Ka 2003 Kgoro ya Tlhabollo ya Leago (DSD), Thuto ya Motheo (DBE) le ya Maphelelo di dirile dipholisi tša bona

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tša ECD; makala le dikarolo tše dibotse kudu di hlomilwe gomme thekgo ya ditšhelete ya ECD e bile karolo ya tekane-tšo go tloga ka ngwaga wa 2000.

ECD e dutše e le bohloko go mmušo gomme Kabinete e dumeletše Pholisi ya

ECD ye e Kopantšwego ya Setšhaba ka Manthole 2015, go fetoša kabo ya ditirelo ya ECD ka Afrika Borwa ka go šogana le mafokodi a bohloko le go kgonthiša ditirelo tša tshepedišo ye e feletšego ya go hwetšagala ka kakaretšo gape ya go kwagala.

ECD e ya go DBE

Maikarabelo a disenthara tša ECD a fetišeditšwe go tloga go DSD go ya go DBE, ka bana ba go feta 700 000 bao gonabjale ba fihlelelago ditirelo tša ECD go phatlala le naga.

“Ye ke kgato ye bohloko mo tšwelopelong ya thuto ya bana ba banyenyane mo nageng ya rena gomme, ge e phethagaditšwe gabotse, e tla ba kgato ye bohloko go fihlelela pono ya Leano la Tlhabollo ya Setšhaba la 2030. Le ge go le bjalo, ntle le maano a phethagatšo a go bonagala le go tšea magato a go tia, tsebišo ye e ka se tšweletše dikholego dife goba dife mo nageng goba mo baduding ba yona ba bafsa,” gwa realo Mopresidente Ramaphosa.

Kgato ya go latela mo tshepetšong ke mengwaga ye mebedi ya kgapeletšo ya ECD go bana ka moka, go ipeakanyetša Kreiti ya 1, bjale ka ge go tsebišitšwe ke Mopresidente Ramaphosa mo go SoNa ya gagwe ya 2019.

“Se sengwe se bohloko seo se tlogo pele ke go kaonafatša kudu tlhaloganyo ya go bala

mo mengwageng ya mathomo ya sekolo. Se se bohloko ka thutong, mo mošomong le mo bophelong gape ke kgonagalo ya ntlha ye bohloko ya go fenyha bohloki, tlhokego ya mešomo le go se lekalekane,” Mopresidente a realo.

“Re tla ba re katološa kudu go ba gona ga methopo ya go bala ka pele go phatlala le karolo ya motheo gomme mo mengwageng ye tshela re tla abela ngwana yo mongwe le yo mongwe wa sekolo ka

Afrika Borwa dipuku tša mošo-mo tša titšitale le dipuku tša kgakollo ka ditheplete. Re tla thoma ka dikolo tšeo di bego di hlokomologilwe gomme di lego ditšhabeng tša go hloka, go akaretša tšeo di nago le dikreiti tše ntšhi, dikgato tše ntšhi, dikolo tša dipolaseng le tša magaeng,” a tlaletša.

Tona ya Thuto ya Motheo Angie Motshega o boletše gore kgoro e lokile go tšentsha dipuku tša kgakollo tša titšitale go tloga ngwaga wo o tlogo.

Ka Hlakola 2019 DBE – ka tirišano le Vodacom Foundation, Nelson Mandela Foundation, United Nation Women and Global Citizen – ba abile senthara ya ECD mo Divhani Crèche le Frank Ravele Secondary School of Excellence ka Vhembe, Limpopo.

Kretšhe ye, yeo e lego ye nngwe ya disenthara tše 15 tša ECD tšeo di kgethetšwego go lokišwa, e amogetše phetogo ye e feletšego ya mananeo-kgoaparara.

Frank Ravele Secondary School ke se sengwe sa dikolo tše 12 tša bokgoni tšeo di utllo-tšwego ke DBE go dirišana le Vodacom, yeo e šetšego e kgokaganya dikolo tše 3 000 le disenthara tša barutiši tše 92 go phatlala le naga. **■**

Naa o be o tseba?

- Kgoro ya Matlotlo a Setšhaba e tšwela pele go aba thekgo ya ditšhelete go ECD ka mokgwa wa thekgo ya ditšhelete tše di netefaditšwego.
- Thekgo ya ditšhelete tša go ithekga ka mabaka e tla thekga bana ba go hloka ba e ka bago

ba 60 000 gomme ya mpshafatša disenthara tša ECD tša magareng ga 600 le 800 mo mengwageng ye meraro.

- Kabo ya tekane-tšo ya thekgo ya ditšhelete e okešegile go tloga go R518 milione ka 2019/20 go fihla go R553 milione ka 2020/21.



Go godiša menagano ya bana

Matšatši a 1 000 a mathomo a nepiša gore ngwana o humana phepo ya maleba, tlhokomelo, tšhireletšo le hlohleletšo. Baneng ba mengwaga ye mebedi go fihla go mengwaga ye mehlang, nepišo e swanetše go ba hlohleletšong ya boleng le tlhokomelo, mo ke moo di-ECD di ralokago karolo ye bohloko.