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Mother receives National Order for brave son



Sarah Tambani and her granddaughter, eight-year-old Tshiamo, looking at a picture of her late son Thapelo 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.

Thapelo 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.

Thapelo 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, Thapelo's friend had fallen into the large pit, which was filled with muddy rain water, at an excavation site. Thapelo managed to save his friend but was overcome by the mud.

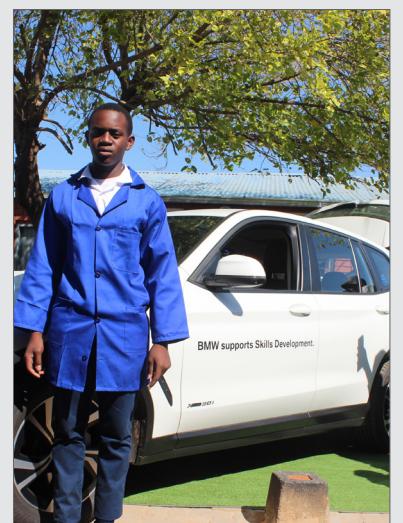
Thapelo's mother said his heroic act, although painful, was part of his character – he was a helpful boy, she said.

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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Mmuso o tshehetsa Thuto ya Dikonyana (ECD)

Mmuso o ikemise-ditse ka ECD ena e ananelwang ke lefatshe lohle e le letsete le matla ka ho fetisa leo naha e ka le etsang motheong wa batho.

"Haeba re tlameha ho kgaola ketane ya bofuma, re tshwanetse ho isa bana ba bahloki dikolong, ba rute-he," ho itsalo Moporesident Cyril Ramaphosa Puong ya hae ya Boemo ba Naha (SoNA) ya 2018.

Kgaello ya menyetla le bokenadipakeng nakong ya bongwaneng e ka kotela haholo bana ba banyane, e be e nyotobetse bokgoni ba bona ba ho atleha.

Ntle le tsena, ka 2009 koko-nono ya ECD ya Yunivesithi ya Leoya Bophirimela, Nga-ka Julian Seleti, Kopanong ya Dipuisano Boithutong ba Setekgini ya Banka ya Lefatshe ka Kgato ya Tlhogomelo le Kgodiso ya Mantlha ya Bana Aforika, o ile a re pele ho 1994 puso ya kgethollo e ne e sa tsotelle bana.

Ho ne ho se maano a ECD, esita le baneng ba neng ba le menyetleng, mme ho ne ho na le ditshebeletso feela tse swahlamaneng tsa ECD, moo e neng e le bana ba mmalwa haholo ba neng ba fola mlemo.

O ile a re popo e hlophisi-tsweng hantle ya leano Aforika Borwa e qadile dilemong tsa pele tsa bo1990, kamorao ho ho lokollwa tjhananeng ha Moporesident wa Mhleng Nelson Mandela.

Ka bo2003 Lefapha la Ntshe-tsopele ya Setjhaba (DSD), la Thuto ya Motheo (DBE)



le la Bophelo bo Botle a ne a se a bopile maano a wona a ECD; diyuniti le dikarolo tse talotsweng ka bokgabane di ne di se di theilwe mme ho

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fanwa ka ditjhelete ho ECD, e bile teng lenaneng la bajete ho tloha ka selemo sa 2000.

ECD jwale e se e le leano la sebele la mmuso mme Kabinete e ananetse Leano la Naha le Momahaneng la

ECD ka Tshitwe 2015, ho fetola phano ya ditshebeletso tsa ECD Aforika Borwa ka ho rarolla qaka ya dikgeo tsa bohlokwa esita le ho netefatsa phano ya ditshebeletso tsa ECD tse momahaneng, tse fumanehang lefatsheng lohle ebile e le tse lekanang.

ECD e fallela ho DBE

Boikarabelo ba ditsi tsa ECD bo fallisitswe ho tloha ho DSD ho ya ho DBE, ka bana ba kahodimo ho 700 000 bao jwale ba fumanang ditshebeletso tsa ECD naha ka bophara.

"Ena ke kgato ya bohlokwa tswelopeleng ya thuto ya bana naheng ya rona, mme haeba e ka kenngwa tshebetsong ka nepo, e tla ba kgato ya bohlokwa phihlellong ya tjhebelopele ya Morero wa Ntshetsopele ya Naha (NDP) wa 2030. Leha hole jwalo, ntle le merero e hlakileng le dikgato tse tiileng tsa ho e kenya tshebetsong, tsebiso ena ha e ka ke ya fana ka melemo efe kapa efe naheng ena kapa baahing ba yona ba banyane ka ho fetisa," ho itsalo Moporesident Ramaphosa.

Kgato e latelang e seng e le motjheng ke dilemo tse pedi tsa ECD e tlamang bakeng sa bana bohle, tokisetsong ya Kereiti ya 1, jwaloka ha ho tsebisitswe ke Moporesident Ramaphosa ho SoNa ya hae ya 2019.

"Ntlha enngwe ya bohlokwa e ka sehloohong ke ya hore hanyane hanyane ho ntlaftswa tsebo e phethahetseng ya ho bala dilemong tsa pele tsa

le dibuka tsa ho bala tsa di-jithale tse tla ba thaboleteng.

Re tla qala ka dikolo tse ho ya ka nalane e leng tsona tse neng di kotetswe ka ho fetisa tse dibakeng tse futsanehileng, ho akgal le dikolo tse nang le dikereiti tse ngata le mephato e mengata, tsa mapolasing le mahaeng," o ekeditse ka ho rialo.

Letona la Thuto ya Motheo Angie Motshekga o itse lefapha le malalaalaotswe ho kenya dibuka tsa ho bala tsa dijithale dikolong ho tloha isao.

Ka Hlakubele 2019, DBE ka selekane le Vodacom Foundation, Nelson Mandela Foundation, United Nations Women and Global Citizen – e neelane ka Setsi sa ECD Sekolong sa Dikonyana sa Divhani le Frank Ravele Secondary School of Excellence se Vhembe, Limpopo.

Sekolo sena sa dikonyana, e leng se seng sa ditsi tsa ECD tse 15 tse kgethetsweng ho ntjhafatwa, se fumane ntjhafatso e phethahetseng ya merala ya motheo.

Sekolo sena sa Frank Ravele Secondary School of Excellence ke se seng sa dikolo tse 12 tsa mahlale tse hwailweng ke DBE bakeng sa tshebedisano mmoho le Vodacom, e seng e hoketse dikolo tse 3 000 le ditsi tsa matijhere tse 92 naha ka bophara. □

Na o ne o tseba?

- Lefapha la Matlotlo a Naha le tswela pele ho fana ka ditjhelete ho ECD ka mokgwa wa dithuso tsa ditjhelete.
- Dithuso tsa ditjhelete tsa ECD tse nang le dipeelo, di tla tshehetsa bana ba

Tjhoriso ya dikelello tsa bana

Matsatsi a pele a 1 000 a ngwana a tsepame phepong e phethahetseng, tlhokomeleng, polokehong le kgothatsong. Bakeng sa bana ba dilemo tse tlohang ho tse pedi ho ya ho tse tlano, tjhadiro e kgothatsong le tlhokomeleng ya boleng, mona ke hona moo di-ECD di nang le seabo sa bohlokwa.

