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**MEC LERULE-RAMAKHANYA SHOCKED BY A FATAL STABBING INCIDENT AT
PHOTANI SECONDARY**

The preliminary reports at the department's disposal indicates that there was a cultural event at Phothani Secondary school at Mulamula village, under Vhembe East District where learners from different schools had gathered. Reports indicate that two learners got into a fight where one was unfortunately stabbed, and the department has learnt that the learner passed on.

The department will release a comprehensive update once internal investigations are done. We are working closely with the Police who are also investigating the unfortunate incident.

“As a department we regret the incident and heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family. I am still making a plea to parents and all the interested parties to ensure that schools remain a conducive place for learning.” MEC Mavhungu Lerule-Ramakhanya expressed her sadness.

Psycho-social support will also be offered to the school community in light of this accident.

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