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THE LIMPOPO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION APPALLED BY THE BRUTAL KILLING OF A LEARNER AND INCIDENTS OF SCHOOL THEFT

Limpopo Department of Education MEC, Mavhungu Lerule-Ramakhanya has learned with shock the untimely death of a Grade 10 female learner at Majeje High School in Lulekani Circuit under Mopani East Education District. Reports indicate that the deceased was found dumped at Madanwini site in Lulekani after she was reported missing on Monday, 5 August 2024.

The Department further condemns school theft that took place at Monyong Secondary School(Capricorn North Education District) on 01 August 2024, where three unidentified men were caught stealing laptops and other school essentials.

On 03 August 2024, Mochocho Primary school (Capricorn South Education District) was also broken in, however the thieves were unsuccessful to get inside the school's admin block and nothing was taken at the school.

The department is deeply saddened by these incidents and extends heartfelt condolences to the family of the deceased and all those who are affected.

"We call on the law enforcement agencies to speedily arrest the perpetrators and ensure they are held accountable for their evil deeds. It cannot be business as usual when our future leaders are brutally killed, especially in a month where women are recognized and appreciated. The continuous break-ins and stealing of school property is also a

cause for concern, we call on the community to take a stand and protect the education of their children," said MEC Mavhungu Lerule-Ramakhanya.

The Department will be dispatching a team of experts to the family to provide psychosocial support.

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