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MEC FOR COGHSTA MME MAKOMA MAKHURUPETJE TO INAUGURATE HOSI MKHACANI ADEYEMI
MALULEKE HLANEKI
24 April 2017

The MEC for Department of Co-Operative Governance Human Settlements Traditional Affairs (CoGHSTA), Mme Makoma Makhurupetje will officially inaugurate Hosi Mkhacani Adeyemi Maluleke Hlaneki of Hlaneki Village, Greater Giyani Municipality.

The event is scheduled as follows:
Date : Friday, 5 May 2017
Time : 10:00
Venue : Hlaneki Cultural Village

Following the death of his father in 2015, the Hlaneki Royal Family took a decision to appoint Hosi "Madala" Hlaneki to fill the position left open by his late father. The Premier of the Limpopo Province formally appointed him as Hosi with effect from the 13th of April 2016.

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE MALULEKE PEOPLE, THE HLANEKI IN PARTICULAR AND THEIR ORIGINS

The Maluleke people form part of the Vanw'anati clan. The Vanw'anati clan stems from six sons of Gunyule, namely Malenga, Makwakwa, Mandlalati, Ndindani, Khambane and Mkhwanazi. The Malenga section of Vanw'anati is referred to as the Maluleke. The Maluleke's are presently found in South Africa, Mozambique, Malawi and Zimbabwe. Malenga had three sons namely Mohlwane, Ncelwa and Maxakadzi. Maxakadzi is sometimes referred to as Mashakatsi in literature.

Malenga is credited as having started the Maluleke dynasty of traditional leadership. The dynasty was later developed by Maxakadzi into a kingdom. There is, however, no knowledge of a Maluleke kingdom after Maxakadzi, as he distributed the traditional leadership equitably amongst his sons and those of Ncelwa. The Maluleke's have never fallen under the kingdom of rival clans. The Van'wanati, who are scattered in present-day South Africa, Mozambique and Zimbabwe, were once led by the powerful King Maxakadzi, who was a renowned elephant hunter as well as a tin and copper producer.

The Hlaneki Community is located northwest of Giyani town. The community is presently led by Hosi Mkhacani Adeyemi Maluleke Hlaneki (commonly known and referred to as "Madala"), who enjoys the status of a Senior Traditional Leader. Hosi Hlaneki is of the Guyu branch of the Van'wanati Clan, thus a Maluleke, as a descendant of Malenga.

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