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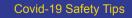
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## Message from the MEC Standing steadfast amid the challenges

In the 2020/21 Financial Year the Eastern Cape Department of Education (ECDoE) infrastructure programme was particularly hard hit by the COVID-19 pandemic, initially by the countrywide lockdown early in the year and then by the massive budget cuts to fund COVID-19 interventions. During this time, most contractors suspended operations or terminated contracts; construction materials were in short supply; and the labour force was affected by ill health and low productivity. The aftereffects had severe implications in 2021/22 and extreme difficulties were experienced in trying to get projects back on site and to initiate the redesign and procurement for projects that were terminated. This resulted in very little expenditure in the first two quarters, and although the situation improved in the third and fourth quarters, the Department was forced to surrender R205m to the fiscus.

The total allocation towards Infrastructure Development in the 2021/22 FY was a little over R1,64 billion which was applied towards achievement of our infrastructure development objectives. We provided basic services in the form of water, electricity, and sanitation; built 48 Grade R and 41 specialist classrooms; and undertook scheduled maintenance at 12 schools in the province. Additional classrooms to manage overcrowding and provide facilities conducive to teaching and learning is another of our strategic priorities and this target was achieved with the provision of 380 such classrooms.

The specific performance achievements for the 2021/22 financial year are outlined in this edition of **Sakh'isidima News**, specifically the completion of ten new schools with a value of R677 million. Infrastructure projects, such as the building of new schools, are multi-year projects taking anything from 2 to 4 years to complete and we currently have 35 new schools in various stages of construction.

Planning is a critical part of infrastructure development. However, this is a dynamic environment where one needs to make allowance for eventualities beyond our control. An example of this is the close to 230 schools that were damaged by inclement weather conditions in the past 18 months. Another example, the impact of which I illustrated earlier, was COVID-19. The point is, plan as you may, there will always be something that will pose challenges and change your course. The trick is to get back on track as soon as possible!

This year we are forging ahead with ensuring that funding is injected for hostel projects at special needs schools. Two of these major projects, Ntsonkotha Senior Secondary and Khanyisa Special School, were handed over to new contractors earlier this month.

On Thursday, 26 May, I also had the honour of handing over the completed Lower Dadamba Primary School to education sector stakeholders. The school was established in 1961 and the 370 learners who are enrolled for this year (and generations thereafter) will now be able to utilise this new facility completed under the Accelerated School Infrastructure Development Initiative (ASIDI).

Amid our efforts to rebuild our country, we must not lose sight of the democratic gains we have achieved. We need to keep our shoulders to the wheel remembering the cause we are fighting for – that of eradicating the scourge of poverty; inequality and unemployment. As the education sector, we need to go about our jobs, mindful that, if everyone plays their part, the battle for a better life for our communities and our children, can be achieved. I urge you to stand steadfast amid the challenges.

Mr Fundile Gade MEC for Education



The Education infrastructure Grant is a Conditional Grant made available for the construction, maintenance, upgrading and rehabilitation of new and existing education infrastructure (including district and circuit accommodation); to address achievement of targets set out in the minimum norms and standards for school infrastructure; to address damages to infrastructure; and to enhance capacity to deliver infrastructure in the education sector.

In the 2020/21 financial year the Eastern Cape Department of Education (ECDoE) infrastructure programme was particularly hard hit by the COVID-19 pandemic, initially by the countrywide lockdown early in the year and then by the massive budget cuts to fund COVID-19 interventions.

This had severe implications for the infrastructure programme which was carried in to the 2021/22 financial year. Extreme difficulties were experienced in trying to resuscitate these projects and to re-do the design and procurement for contracts that were terminated. These events had a negative impact on the achievement of performance targets and the Department was forced to surrender R205m to the fiscus as this could not be spent timeously by the end of the 2021/22 Financial year which ended in March 2022.

Several projects were completed where basic services (in the form of water, electricity, and sanitation); additional classrooms; specialist classrooms (science laboratories; media centres etc.); and new Grade R classrooms were provided at various schools.

Ten new schools were completed, and 35 schools are under construction. New additional classrooms were provided to address overcrowding and improve the quality of teaching and learning. In addition, scheduled maintenance was completed at 12 schools.

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#### Did you know...?

- In the past year we have handed over close to 40 new schools to communities and education sector stakeholders. These schools
  were completed under the EIG programme and the Accelerated School Infrastructure Development Initiative (ASIDI).
- Currently 1,055 Sanitation Appropriate for Education (SAFE) projects have been allocated to four Implementing Agents (The Mvula Trust; Development Bank of Southern Africa; the National Education Collaboration Trust; and Coega Development Corporation. Of these, 277 projects have been completed; 380 are under construction; and 398 are in planning. The SAFE programme is managed by the Department of Basic Education with the support of IA's and the DoE.
- A total of 60 **SAFE projects** have been **funded by** various **donors** through Partnerships (Assupol, Unilever SA, Envirosan, South Korea Embassy, Sibanye Stillwater, and the Water Research Commission (WRC). Of these, 44 have been completed and 16 are in the planning stages.
- 171 Schools were damaged by storms in the 2020/21 financial year most of these in the Amathole West and OR Tambo Coastal education districts. Repair work has been completed at 35 of these schools, whilst 58 projects are in progress. The remaining schools were assessed, and the procurement process is underway.

## 2021/22 Achievements Projects completed

EMIS No	PROJECT NAME	IA	EDUCATION DISTRICT	WATER	ELECTRICITY	SANITATION	ADDITIONAL CLASSROOMS	ADDITIONAL SPECIALIST ROOMS	NEW SCHOOLS COMPLETED	NEW SCHOOLS UNDER CONSTRUCTION	GRADE R CLASSROOMS	BOARDING FACILITIES	SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE
200600196	AMOS MLUNGWANA PRIMARY SCHOOL	DOE	JOE GQABI	~	✓	~	8	-	-	-	1	-	-
200401228	ATTWELL MADALA HIGH SCHOOL	DOE	O R TAMBO INLAND	~	~	~	22	-	-	-	-	-	-
200100068	BHONGWENI PUBLIC FARM SCHOOL	DPWI	SARAH BAARTMAN	~	~	~	37	4	~	-	-	-	-
200300741	BUTTERWORTH HIGH SCHOOL	IDT	AMATHOLE EAST	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	~
200300836	DINIZULU HIGH SCHOOL	DPWI	AMATHOLE EAST	~	~	~	32	4	~	-	-	-	-
200600157	EDLELWENI PUBLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL	DPWI	CHRIS HANI WEST	~	~	~	-	-	-	-	6	-	-
200300079	FALTEIN SECONDARY SCHOOL	DOE	CHRIS HANI EAST	~	~	~	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
200200182	FLORADALE FARM SCHOOL	DOE	BUFFALO CITY	~	~	-	5	-	-		3	-	-
200200221	GRENS VOORBEREIDINGSKOOL	DOE	BUFFALO CITY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		<b>v</b>
200500318	ILINGELETHU JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	DPWI	JOE GQABI	~	~	~	-	-	-	-	5	-	-
200100363	JUBILEE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL	DPWI	NELSON MANDELA	~	~	~	43	5	~	-	3	-	-
200300045	KENTANI JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	CDC	AMATHOLE EAST	-	-	~	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
200404036	KING NDLOVUYEZWE NDAMASE SPECIAL SCHOOL	DBSA	O R TAMBO COASTAL	~	-	~	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
200200004	LAERSKOOL GRENS	DPWI	BUFFALO CITY	~	~	~	25	4	~	-	5	-	-
200400399	LUGXOGXO JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	DPWI	O R TAMBO INLAND	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1		~
200201061	LUKHANYO PRIMARY SCHOOL	DPWI	BUFFALO CITY	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1		~
200400435	MACLEAR METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL	DOE	JOE GQABI	~	~	~	10	-			-	-	
200500551	MALUTI SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	DPWI	ALFRED NZO WEST	~	~	~	32	4	~	-	-	-	-
200400546	MBUQE EXTENSION SENIOR PRIMARY SCHOOL(NKULULEKO PRIMARY)	DPWI	O R TAMBO INLAND	~	~	~	20	3	~	-	1	-	-
200100509	MFESANE SECONDARY SCHOOL	DPWI	NELSON MANDELA	~	✓	~	30	6	~	-	-	-	-

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EMIS No	PROJECT NAME	IA	EDUCATION DISTRICT	WATER	ELECTRICITY	SANITATION	ADDITIONAL CLASSROOMS	ADDITIONAL SPECIALIST ROOMS	NEW SCHOOLS COMPLETED	NEW SCHOOLS UNDER CONSTRUCTION	GRADE R CLASSROOMS	BOARDING FACILITIES	SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE
200400634	MPAFANE JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	DPW	O R TAMBO INLAND	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
200300373	MQAMBELI JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	CDC	AMATHOLE EAST	~	~	~	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
200500825	MZAMENI SENIOR PRIMARY SCHOOL	DPWI	O R TAMBO COASTAL	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	-	-	~
200200521	MZAMOWETHU PUBLIC SCHOOL	DOE	BUFFALO CITY	~	-	~	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
200400696	MZIWODUMO PRIMARY SCHOOL	DPWI	O R TAMBO INLAND	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	~
200401335	NGWAYIBANJWA SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	DPWI	O R TAMBO INLAND	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	~
200100580	NOMBULELO SECONDARY SCHOOL	DOE	SARAH BAARTMAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	~
200200619	NONCEDO COMBINED SCHOOL	DOE	BUFFALO CITY	~	~	~	14	-	-	-	-	-	_
200101025	NONINZI LUZIPHO PRIMARY SCHOOL	CDC	NELSON MANDELA	~	~	~	21	4	~	-	3	-	
200200624	NONKUNDLA JUNIOR PRIMARY SCHOOL	DPWI	BUFFALO CITY	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	~
200500984	NTSIZWA SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	DPWI	ALFRED NZO WEST	~	√	~	12	4	~	-	-	-	-
200200632	NYIBIBA PRIMARY SCHOOL	DOE	BUFFALO CITY	~	~	~	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
200501001	OSBORN SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	ТМТ	ALFRED NZO WEST	$\checkmark$	-	~	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
200201033	SAKHIKAMVA HIGH SCHOOL	DOE	BUFFALO CITY	-	~	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
200200798	SKOBENI PRIMARY SCHOOL	DPWI	BUFFALO CITY	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
200501600	THEMBA MZIZI JUNIOR PRIMARY SCHOOL	DPWI	ALFRED NZO EAST	~	√	~	25	3	~	-	4	-	-
200401051	THEMBELIHLE JUNIOR PRIMARY SCHOOL	DPWI	O R TAMBO INLAND	~	~	~	-	-	-	-	5	-	-
200200925	ZANEMPUCUKO SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	DPWI	BUFFALO CITY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	~
200401210	ZWELIBANGILE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL	DPWI	O R TAMBO INLAND	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	$\checkmark$

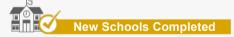
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## New Schools Completed

#### BHONGWENI PUBLIC FARM SCHOOL

IA Department of Publc Works & Infrastructure
 EDUCATION DISTRICT SARAH BAARTMAN
 LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Ndlambe
 PROJECT LOCATION Kwanonqubela
 GPS COORDINATES -33.65734500 South, 26.41991333 East
 TOTAL PROJECT COST R48,9 Million
 CONSTRUCTION PERIOD 60 Months

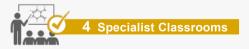
























#### **DINIZULU HIGH SCHOOL**

IA Department of Publc Works & Infrastructure EDUCATION DISTRICT AMATHOLE EAST LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Elundini PROJECT LOCATION Ncembu GPS COORDINATES -31.39777333 South, 28.39787833 East TOTAL PROJECT COST R 38,7 Million





#### JUBILEE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

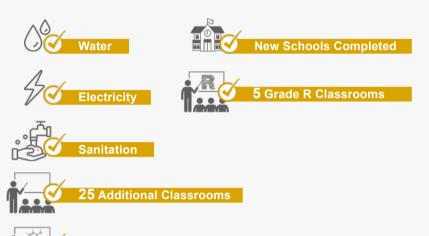
IA Department of Publc Works & Infrastructure EDUCATION DISTRICT NELSON MANDELA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Nelson Mandela Bay PROJECT LOCATION Gerald Smith GPS COORDINATES -33.75455700 South, 25.38105400 East TOTAL PROJECT COST R 99,3 Million CONSTRUCTION PERIOD 86 Months





#### LAERSKOOL GRENS

IA Department of Publc Works & Infrastructure EDUCATION DISTRICT BUFFALO CITY LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Buffalo City PROJECT LOCATION Southernwood GPS COORDINATES -33.00581167 South, 27.90313167 East TOTAL PROJECT COST R 114,8 Million CONSTRUCTION PERIOD 31 Months













#### MALUTI SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Specialist Classrooms

IA Department of Publc Works & Infrastructure
 EDUCATION DISTRICT ALFRED NZO WEST
 LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Matatiele
 PROJECT LOCATION Protea
 GPS COORDINATES -30.26207600 South, 28.77974700 East
 TOTAL PROJECT COST R 59,4 Million
 CONSTRUCTION PERIOD 64 Months

New Schools Completed





#### MBUQE EXTENSION SENIOR PRIMARY (NKULULEKO RALO PRIMARY)

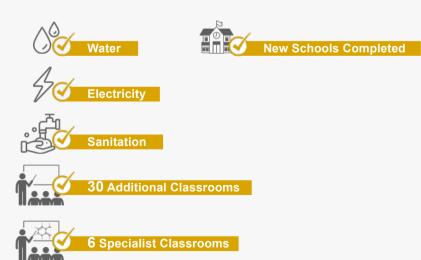
IA Department of Publc Works & Infrastructure
 EDUCATION DISTRICT OR TAMBO INLAND
 LOCAL MUNICIPALITY King Sabata Dalindyebo
 PROJECT LOCATION Mbuqu Ext
 GPS COORDINATES -31.62047100 South, 28.78944400 East
 TOTAL PROJECT COST R 69,2 Million
 CONSTRUCTION PERIOD 51 Months





#### MFESANE SECONDARY SCHOOL

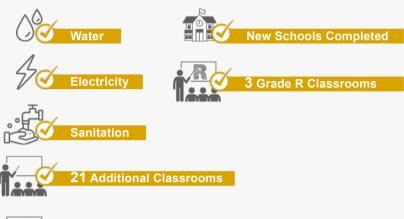
IA Department of Publc Works & Infrastructure
 EDUCATION DISTRICT NELSON MANDELA
 LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Nelson Mandela Bay
 PROJECT LOCATION Motherwell 10
 GPS COORDINATES -33.77678167 South, 25.58663000 East
 TOTAL PROJECT COST R 83,6 Million
 CONSTRUCTION PERIOD 57 Months



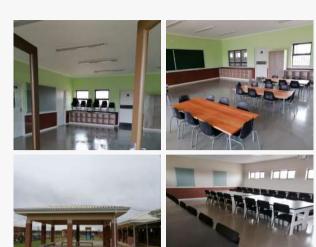


#### **NONINZI LUZIPHO PRIMARY SCHOOL**

IA Coega Development Corporation EDUCATION DISTRICT NELSON MANDELA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Nelson Mandela Bay PROJECT LOCATION Kwanobuhle 3 GPS COORDINATES -33.81123800 South, 25.36853000 East TOTAL PROJECT COST R 63,6 Million CONSTRUCTION PERIOD 54 Months













IA Department of Publc Works & Infrastructure
 EDUCATION DISTRICT ALFRED NZO WEST
 LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Umzimvubu
 PROJECT LOCATION Lusuthu
 GPS COORDINATES -30.78230833 South, 29.25340500 East
 TOTAL PROJECT COST R 50,1 Million
 CONSTRUCTION PERIOD 52 Months





#### THEMBA MZIZI JUNIOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

IA Department of Publc Works & Infrastructure
 EDUCATION DISTRICT ALFRED NZO EAST
 LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Mbizana
 PROJECT LOCATION Lutatweni
 GPS COORDINATES -30.891698 South, 29.964470 East
 TOTAL PROJECT COST R 48,2 Million
 CONSTRUCTION PERIOD 64 Months





## Handover of Lower Dadamba Primary

Lower Dadamba Primary EMIS No: 200300221 Education District: Amathole East Mbhashe Local Municipality

Lower Dadamba Primary School was established in 1961 with only 42 learners.

Construction of the new school started in 2018. The school has 10 educators and 370 learners are enrolled for the 2022 academic year. Grades offered R-7

This school was officialy handed over by the MEC for education, Mr Fundile Gade on 26th May

## New Facilities

An ASIDI project implemented by the Independent Development Trust on behalf of the Department of Basic Education and the Eastern Cape Department of Education.

Project Value R 41.85 Million

- **5** New Ordinary Classrooms
- 9 Renovated Ordinary Classrooms
- 2 Grade R Classrooms
- 1 Science Laboratory
- 1 Media Centre / Library
- 1 Office Block
- 1 Nutrition Centre
- 8 New Sanitation Facilities
- 8 Rainwater Tanks
- Security Fencing
- 2 Sport Facilities

### About Lower Dadamba Primary

#### Subjects offered:

Xhosa, English, Mathematics, Technology, Economic Management Sciences, Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, Life Orientation And Creative Arts

Extra mural activities: Music & sport

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

The department of education offered the school. Transport to carry those learners who travel more than pve kilometres to and from school every day. This has impacted the school enrolment positively.

Since there are more learners who are registered in our school.

Pre- Grade classes have been introduced since 2019 to give the children opportunity to learn in a safe and caring environment at an early age.

In terms of creative arts, the school was awarded trophies for learners who excel in poetry at district level. Also a trophy for the best choir and conductor was awarded in 2019.





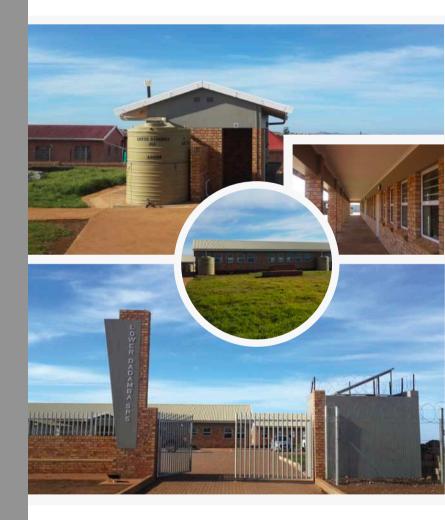


#### Vision

To create responsible, universal citizens who would be bright leaders of the 21st Century by laying a superior foundation through quality education

## **MISSION**

Inspire our children to be passionate lifelong learners through a curriculum with pedagogical integrity, which allows them to always INQUIRE, INNOVATE and CONTRIBUTE in meaningful ways to society.



## **CORE VALUES**

Honesty and integrity Respect and concern for others Commitment Quest for knowledge & excellence Funding allocated to kickstart hostel **Projects** 

MEC unveils R180-million Ntsonkotha school hostel project

#### MR MALIBONGWE MTIMA

The Eastern Cape Department of Education (ECDoE) has set aside a total budget of R180 Million for the construction of the state-of-the-art Ntsonkotha Senior Secondary School hostel located in Cacadu (formerly Lady Frere) in the Chris Hani West District.

This announcement was made the MEC for Education, Mr Fundile Gade during his visit to the school earlier this month where he also introduced Kontinental Engineering Consulting as the contractors that would build the 700-bed hostel facility.

Speaking at the event the Hon. MEC said the project is set to start at the beginning of June and is expected to be fully completed within the projected period of 40 months.

"This is a major project which will have economic spin-offs for this area as it is going to create job opportunities for the unemployed youth including graduates," said Gade.

Kontinental Engineering Consulting has pledged to hiring local graduates and providing internship opportunities for students studying towards building, architect and other related fields at tertiary institutions.

"The department is going to monitor the project in order to avoid unnecessary delays, however, I would like to appeal to community members to protect the school in an attempt to avoid acts of vandalism and theft," said Gade. The school's acting principal Lumka Silosini-Siyeka could not contain her excitement saying the construction of the hostel will help boost the quality of teaching and learning thus improving their examination results.

Images: ECDoE Facebook P

"This is a major announcement by the MEC, and the project will help curb acts of vandalism and theft as the school will be properly fenced thus ensuring safety of our learners," said Silosini-Siyeka.

She added that this year the school was celebrating its 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary and the MEC's visit has brought joy to everyone as they continue to celebrate this milestone.

Emalahleni Local Municipality Mayor, Councillor Nontombizanele Koni, welcomed the project. "This is one of the biggest projects in the area and forms part of government's service delivery initiatives. It is also going to benefit local entrepreneurs and small contractors while creating jobs for the youth," said Councillor Koni.

School Governing Body (SGB) chairperson Mtoto Jaxa urged community members to ensure smooth running of the project and protect it against theft and vandalism.

Ntsonkotha Senior Secondary is a historic school established in 1967 as a boarding school providing accommodation to learners from other areas.



# Major boost for disabled learners as MEC announces R120m hostel upgrade

#### MR MALIBONGWE MTIMA

To improve school infrastructure in the province, the Eastern Cape Department of Education (ECDoE) has injected a whopping R120-million for the construction and upgrading of Khanyisa Special School hostel. This education centre for Learners with Special Education Needs, is situated in Cala in the Chris Hani East District. The project has stalled in the past due to financial constraints.



The Independent Development Trust (IDT) has been appointed as an implementing agent and is expected to monitor and oversee the full completion of the project. The building and refurbishment of the existing hostel blocks will start in June 2022 and is expected to be fully completed by March next year. The project includes the building of the new hostel blocks, refurbishment of the existing hostel structures and security fencing.

Delivering his keynote address, Hon. Gade said it was his Department's mandate to deliver and improve school infrastructure throughout the province.

"As a department we acknowledge the challenges caused by financial constraints which led to the delay of this project. We are now coming back to the site and the project will be fully completed within the projected timeframe," said Gade.

The full scope of work also includes completion of boys and girls hostel blocks, refurbishment of kitchen, dining hall, laundry and the replacement of entrance gates. The existing guardhouse is also expected to be renovated. The MEC called a meeting with all contractors involved in the project to ensure the smooth running of the project without any unnecessary delays.

Khanyisa special school was officially opened in April 1999.

# About Youth Day

"The year of Charlotte Mannya Maxeke: Growing youth employment or an inclusive and transformed society."

16 June 2022 Youth Day commemorates the Soweto youth uprising of 16 June 1976. In 1975 protests started in South African schools after a directive from the then Bantu Education Department that Afrikaans had to be used on an equal basis with English as a language of instruction in secondary schools.

June 2022

# What's Happening

- Environment Month (South Africa)
- **4 Jun:** International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression
- 8 Jun: World Oceans Day
- 13 Jun: International Albinism Awareness Day
- 14 Jun: World Blood Donor Day

- 15 Jun: World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
- **16 Jun:** Youth Day (South Africa)
- 17 Jun: World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought
- 20 Jun: World Refugee Day
- 23 Jun: Africa Public Service Day
- 26 Jun: International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

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