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Serious Crime incidents reported across the country over the Weekend

### 19 DEATHS WERE LOST OVER THE WEEKEND, FIVE MINORS FALL VICTIM TO RAPE, AS FOLLOWS;

- MURDER - Four people were killed **(one male adult, one female adult, two male minors)**
- SUICIDE - Four people hanged themselves **(three male adults, one female adult)**
- CULPABLE HOMICIDE - Eight people died as a result of vehicle accidents **( six male adults, one female adult, one minor male)**
- UNNATURAL DEATHS - Three people died **(one minor male struck by lightning, one minor male burned to death, one male adult found dead)**
- RAPE - Five victims **(two minor females, and three minor males)**

## **KHOMAS REGION**

### **WINDHOEK POLICE STATION : MURDER AND ROBBERY**

On Friday, 11 November 2016, at about 19h50, in the bushes nearby Okalamba street, Wanaheda, 17 years old boy was stabbed with a knife by the two suspects and died at the scene of the incident, while assisting a woman to recover her stolen cellphone.

It is alleged that, the victim was in a group of other boys who were assisting a woman to recover her cellphone from two suspects who had robbed the woman her cellphone and run into the riverbed.

Allegedly, the victim together with other boys chased and caught up with the two suspects, and as the victim and others try to recover the stolen cellphone, he was stabbed with a knife by the two male suspects, and he died on the spot.

The friends to the deceased managed to arrest one of the suspect`s (male, 21 years old) and the knife used was also recovered, the other suspect fled the scene but was arrested on Saturday morning (12 November 2016).

The deceased was identified as Megameno Kamwangha (N/Male, 17 years of age), the next of kin of the deceased are already formally informed.

Both the two suspects (aged 21 and 26 years) will appear at Katutura Magistrate Court tomorrow, Monday, 14 November 2016.

### **WINDHOEK POLICE STATION : MURDER**

On Saturday, 12 November 2016, at about 02h45, at Kings Club, at Ausspannplatz, 35 years old man was shot with a pistol by his workmate and was pronounced dead on the spot.

It is alleged that, both the deceased and the suspect in the company of other fellow employees of Afrox Windhoek, came to Kings Club after attending a year end party, where the suspect draw his firearm and started shooting randomly and one of the bullets strike the deceased on the chest and was pronounced dead on the scene.

It is alleged that, one of the customers who was at the Club feared that the suspect could still shoot and tried to remove the Pistol from the suspect and fired the two remaining bullets in the sky (air).

In total the Namibian Police Force collected six (6) spend cartridges from the scene.

The deceased was identified as Sheku Bonifatius Tjihepo (N/Male, 35 years of age). The next of kin are already formally informed.

The suspect (male, 38 years) is arrested and will appear at Windhoek Magistrate Court tomorrow, Monday, 14 November 2016.

### **KATUTURA POLICE STATION : INQUEST (HANGING)**

On Saturday, 12 November 2016, at about 13h00, inside an abandoned entertainment building at UN Plaza, Soweto, a man believed to be a Zimbabwean national was found hanging with a belt from the roof of the abandoned building.

The deceased is not yet formally identified, however a document found in his possession shows that he may be a Zimbabwean national.

No suicide note was found, Police investigations into the matter continue.

### **OSHANA REGION**

#### **OSHAKATI POLICE STATION : INQUEST (HANGING)**

On Thursday, 10 November 2016, at about 12h30, at the TB Ward at Oshakati Intermediate Hospital, 36 years old woman was found hanging with a scarf from the window frame in the room where she was admitted.

It is alleged that, the deceased was admitted alone in the room and was discovered by fellow patients.

The deceased was identified as Tjimuhiva Niitembu (N/Female, 36 years of age).

No suicide note was left, the next of kin are already formally informed.

The Police have opened an Inquest Docket to investigate the circumstances around her death.

#### **ONDANGWA POLICE STATION : THEFT UNDER FALSE PRETENCES**

On Thursday, 10 November 2016, at about 12h40, at Ondangwa Town, 31 years old man lost his Gambling Machine (Jackpot) after he was deceived by two men.

It is alleged that, the victim was selling his gambling machine, and the two conned men send him a text message (sms) on his cellphone indicating that they have deposited money N\$ 70 000-00 (seventy thousand N\$) in his account, and they collected the Roulette Gambling Machine.

On Friday morning, 11 November 2016, the victim went to the Bank, and discovered that there was in fact no money deposited in his account.

Fortunate enough, the gambling machine had a tracking device installed, and on the same Friday afternoon at about 16h30, the Police together with the tracking device

company intercepted the gambling machine at Uukwangula Village, in Uukwambi Area, while it was in transit to Okahao.

Two suspects (both male, aged 48 years and 32 years) have been arrested and the gambling machine is also recovered, the suspects will appear at Ondangwa Magistrate Court tomorrow, Monday, 14 November 2016.

## **OSHIKOTO REGION**

### **OMUTHIYA POLICE STATION : INQUEST (HANGING)**

On Thursday, 10 November 2016, at about 13h00, at Omuthiya Town, 33 years old man was found hanging with a rope under the roof of his bedroom.

It is alleged that, earlier in the day the deceased argued with this employer (who is allegedly his Aunt) and then he left and shortly texted (Sms) a fellow employee that "I left your work, I am going to commit suicide now".

The deceased was identified as Kavale Jackson (N/Male, 33 years).

The next of kin are already formally informed. The Police have opened an Inquest Docket to investigate the circumstances around his death.

### **OSHIVELO POLICE STATION : RECKLESS AND OR NEGLIGENT DRIVING**

On Thursday, 10 November 2016, at about 13h50, on the Omuthiya / Oshivelo main road, the driver of a Police vehicle bumped a school girl ( 9 years old) that was crossing the road from Uukumwe Primary School.

The victim ( 9 years old girl, resident at Oshivelo) sustained a broken right leg and was admitted to Oshivelo Clinic.

The Namibian Police Force Internal Investigations Unit has opened a case of Reckless and or Negligent Driving against the driver (Police Officer), investigations into the matter continue.

### **ONAYENA POLICE STATION : MURDER**

On Saturday, 12 November 2016, at about 20h00, at Omayi Village, Onghumbula area, 9 years old boy suffocated and died after he covered his head in the sand.

It is alleged that, the deceased was playing at their residence with his younger brother (6 years old), he then allegedly dug a hole in the sand and put his head inside and told his younger brother to cover him up with sand. He suffocated and was pronounced dead on the spot.

The deceased was identified as Paulus Matheus, 9 years old boy. The next of kin are already formally informed.

The Police have opened an Inquest Docket to investigate the circumstances of his death.

## **OMUSATI REGION**

### **TSANDI POLICE STATION : RAPE**

On Thursday, 10 November 2016, at about 14h30, at Olwaandjana Village, Tsandi Constituency, 11 years old girl was raped by a 17 years old boy.

It is alleged that, the suspect found the victim on her way from school and dragged her into the nearby bushes and had sexual intercourse with the victim without her consent.

The suspect (17 years old boy) is arrested and will appear at Okahao Magistrate Court on Monday, 14 November 2016.

### **ETAYI POLICE STATION : INQUEST (STRUCK BY LIGHTNING)**

On Friday, 11 November 2016, at about 19h30, at Onepandaulo Village, Etayi Constituency, 17 years old boy was struck by lightning and died on the spot.

It is alleged that, the deceased went to look for cattle around their grazing area and it started raining and the deceased got struck by lightning and died on the spot.

The deceased was identified as Nelenge Simeon (N/Male, 17 year of age).

The next of kin are already formally informed, Police investigations into the matter continue.

## **OTJOZONDJUPA REGION**

### **OKAHANDJA POLICE STATION : CULPABLE HOMICIDE**

On Friday, 11 November 2016, at about 20h30, on the Otjiwarongo / Okahandja main road, almost 50 Km from Okahandja, two vehicles a Toyota Fortuner and a red Polo sedan collided, and six people died.

It is alleged that, the Toyota Fortuner was travelling from the direction of Otjiwarongo facing Okahandja and the red Polo sedan was travelling in the opposite direction, allegedly the driver of the red Polo sedan was avoiding a warthog and encroached onto the lane of oncoming vehicles and collided with the oncoming Toyota Fortuner.

In the Toyota Fortuner, there were two occupants, driver (male) and one passenger (female). The female passenger was pronounced dead on the way to Okahandja State

Hospital, the driver sustained injuries and was treated at Okahandja State Hospital, his condition was stable and there were arrangements for him to be transferred to a private Hospital in Windhoek.

In the red Polo sedan, there were five occupants (four males and one female) including the driver, all five occupants were pronounced dead at the scene of the accident.

The Namibian Police Force have been given names of the deceased, but the names are not yet formally confirmed, we are still awaiting formal documents to confirm the names and for the next of kin to be informed formally, therefore we are not in a position to release the names at this stage.

Police investigations into the matter are continuing.

### **OKAMATAPATI POLICE STATION : INQUEST (BURNING)**

On Friday, 11 November 2016, at about 13h46, at post Okaperongo, almost 5 Km from Okamatapati, 11 months old baby boy burned to death after the house he was sleeping in caught fire.

It is alleged that, the cause of the fire is unknown, as the baby was left home with a mentally challenged aunt, while the biological mother went to a nearby post.

The deceased was identified as Vijanda Nokokure Tjakaurua, 11 months old baby boy.

The next of kin are already formally informed.

The Police have opened an Inquest Docket to investigate the circumstances around the baby's death.

### **OUTJO POLICE STATION : INQUEST (HANGING)**

On Saturday, 12 November 2016, at about 18h00, at Farm Seringkop, Outjo Area, a male person was found hanging with a wire from the roof of his bedroom.

The deceased was identified as Elias Hanixab (N/Male, 41 years of age).

It is alleged that, the deceased was last seen on Friday (11 November 2016) night at about 20h00 only for his body to be discovered hanging in his bedroom on Saturday.

The next of kin are already formally informed.

The Police have opened an Inquest Docket to investigate the circumstances around his death.

### **OTJIWARONGO POLICE STATION : MURDER**

On Saturday, 12 November 2016, at about 23h30, at Damara Mall, Orwetoveni Suburb, Otjiwarongo, 27 years old female was shot twice with a pistol by a 50 years old male, and died on the spot.

It is alleged that, the deceased and the suspect were all at Damara Mall (liquor outlet) and an argument erupted between them, resulting in the suspect shooting at the victim, the victim was strike by two bullets and was pronounced dead at the scene of the incident, however the Police collected five (5) cartridges from the scene.

The suspect fled the scene, but he was later arrested early morning on Sunday (13 November 2016) at his residence at Khorixas.

The deceased was identified as Ricarda Noabes (N/Female, 27 years of age), the deceased was allegedly a final year nursing student at Regional Nursing Centre at Otjiwarongo, the next of kin are already formally informed.

The suspect (male, 50 years old) is arrested and will appear at Otjiwarongo Magistrate Court tomorrow, Monday, 14 November 2016 on a charge of Murder.

### **OKAKARARA POLICE STATION : RECKLESS AND OR NEGLIGENT DRIVING**

On Saturday, 12 November 2016, at about 14h30, on Okarundu gravel road, almost 35 Km from Okakarara, the driver (male, 24 years) of a Isuzu double Cap lost control of the vehicle and overturned.

It is alleged that, the driver was avoiding animals (sheep's) that were on the road and lost control and overturned.

There were three occupants in the vehicle, including the driver. All three occupants sustained serious injuries and were admitted to Okakarara Intermediate Hospital in a serious condition.

The Police have opened a case of Reckless and or Negligent Driving, investigations into the matter continue.

## **KAVANGO EAST REGION**

### **RUNDU POLICE STATION : RAPE**

On Friday, 11 November 2016, at about 21h00, at Kehemu Location, 16 years old girl was raped by an adult male.

It is alleged that, the suspect found the victim walking with a friend from a Tuckshop where they went to print her documents, and grabbed the victim on the hand and pull her into a nearby toilet where he had sexual intercourse with the victim without her consent.

The suspect fled the scene and is still at large. The Police are hard at work to trace the suspect, investigations into the matter are continuing.

## **ZAMBEZI REGION**

### **KONGOLA POLICE STATION : INQUEST (UNNATURAL DEATH)**

On Saturday, 12 November 2016, at about 16h30, in a swamp next to Kwando River, a lifeless body of a male person was discovered by a school boy who took cattle to the river to drink water.

The deceased is not yet identified, neither is the cause of the death known.

Police investigations into the matter are continuing.

## **KAVANGO WEST REGION**

### **KAHENGE POLICE STATION : CULPABLE HOMICIDE**

On Saturday, 12 November 2016, at about 03h50, at Nankudu Village, a lifeless body of a male person was found on the road, and it is suspected that the deceased was bumped by a vehicle and died.

The body was discovered by pedestrians who were passing by, it is suspected that the deceased was bumped by a vehicle and the driver fled the scene without reporting the incident to the Police.

The deceased was identified as Markus Kamundiro Nghilundilwa (N/Male, 36 years of age). The next of kin are already formally informed.

The Police have opened a case of Culpable Homicide, investigations into the matter continue.



## **HARDAP REGION**

### **MARIENTAL POLICE STATION : CULPABLE HOMICIDE**

On Friday, 11 November 2016, at about 17h30, at Amaablagte Locations, at Mariental, 17 months old baby boy was run over with a vehicle by his Uncle, and died later at Mariental State Hospital.

It is alleged that, the Uncle drove out of their residence and suddenly heard people screaming for him to stop and they informed him that he had run over his cousin's son.

The deceased was identified as Rodrickus Jagger, a baby boy, 17 months old. The next of kin are already formally informed.

The Police have opened a case of Culpable Homicide against the driver of the vehicle, Police investigations into the matter continue.

### **MARIENTAL POLICE STATION : RAPE**

On Friday, 11 November 2016, at about 17h00, at Mariental, 18 years old man was arrested after cases of Rape were opened against him by parents of three minor boys.

It is alleged that, since 2015 up until Friday 11 November 2016, at Mariental dumpsite and also behind Mariental Truckport, the suspect on various occasions forced three minors boys (aged 10 years, 13 years and 14 years) to suck his penis.

The latest incident was allegedly on Friday (11 November 2016) at around 15h00, at Mariental Dumpsite, where the suspect forced a 10 years old boy to suck his penis, and the minor informed his parents, thereafter other victims also started to speak out against the suspect.

Our preliminary investigations into the matter indicate that, there could be more victims who suffered at the hands of the suspect.

The suspect (male, 18 years old) is arrested and is due to appear at Mariental Magistrate Court tomorrow, Monday, 14 November 2016.