

#### **SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE SERVICE**

PROGRESS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN ON GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND FEMICIDE

BRIEFING TO THE
PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE
ON WOMEN, YOUTH AND
PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES

**7 DECEMBER 2021** 



#### **OVERVIEW**

- → The South African Police Service (SAPS) focus on Pillar Three of the National Strategic Plan (NSP) on gender-based violence and femicide (GBVF): Justice, Safety and Protection.
- → The SAPS mandate, in relation to GBVF, is to prevent, combat and investigate crime, to maintain public order, to protect and secure the inhabitants of the Republic and their property and to uphold and enforce the law.
- → The progress reported, for period 24 June 2021 to 20 October 2021, in relation to SAPS activities, is reflected in this presentation.



#### **CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK**

#### **GBVF NATIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN (NSP)**

Provide a multi-sectoral, coherent strategic policy and programming framework, to ensure a coordinated national response to the crisis of GBVF, by the Government and the country as a whole

## GBVF EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACTION PLAN (ERAP)

To provide an emergency response by Government, the private sector and civil society in all its formations, to address the scourge of GBVF.

All Departments inputted to the GBVF ERAP, including the SAPS.

## INTEGRATED SEXUAL OFFENCES AND GBV STRATEGY

To intensify and accelerate efforts to prevent acts of sexual offences and GBV, by creating multi-sectoral short, medium and long-term strategic interventions

## SAPS INTEGRATED SEXUAL OFFENCES AND GBV ACTION PLAN

To ensure that GBV and sexual offences are reduced through a coordinated approach by all SAPS disciplines

\* The SAPS' Sexual Offences and GBV Action Plan serves as the implementation mechanism for all departmental initiatives related to GBVF.



#### PROGRESS ON SAPS ACTIVITIES FOR GBVF

Activity	Progress			
Resourcing of infrastructure and human capacity, to facilitate effective service delivery; (detective, forensic, investigation and prosecution) at FCS units.	The work study investigation on the establishment of the additional DNA Analysis Capability, at the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL), is on circulation for approval. The additional post requirements for this work study investigation will be informed by the Chief Financial Officer's determination of the budget allocation, for the recommendations. The action plan for this work study investigation, was circulated for approval.			
Capacitate Family Violence, Child Protection and Sexual Offences (FCS) Units, in accordance with the identified need and subject to the available budget, informed by a work study investigation.	The review of the FCS was concluded and the work study was approved by the National Commissioner, on 16 October 2020. It is with the Chief Financial Officer for determining of the budget allocation, for implementation of the recommendations. Posts were allocated, for implementation. The action plan for this work study investigation was circulated for approval. Investigations were compiled and circulated for approval.			



### PROGRESS ON SAPS ACTIVITIES FOR GBVF (2)

Activity	Progress			
Capacitate FCS Units, in accordance with the identified need and subject to the available budget.	The above allocation, is related to the 2019/2020 financial year. For the 2020/2021 financial year, there was no allocation and for 2021/2022, the allocation is not yet communicated. REASON FOR DEVIATION: Trainees were placed accordingly. Some trainees, however, were re-allocated to identified critical areas. Provinces were to capacitate the deficit with the transfer of current servicing members to the FCS.			
Reduce violence against women and children.	For the first quarter of 2021/2022, a total number of 7 455 dockets, for crimes against women, older than 18 years, have been finalised, from a total of 8 097. It is a reduction of 92.07%. For the first quarter of 2021/2022, a total number of 3 494 dockets, for crimes against children, older than 1 year, have been finalised, from a total of 3 872. It is a reduction of 90.24%.			



### PROGRESS ON SAPS ACTIVITIES FOR GBVF (3)

Activity	Progress				
Enhance the processing of GBVF-related forensic evidence case exhibits (entries).	5 823 GBVF-related cases registered, from 23 September to 20 October 2021.  1 945 GBVF-related forensic cases completed, from 24 June to 21 July 2021.  4 096 GBVF-related cases finalised, from 23 July to 23 August 2021.  14 006 GBVF-related cases finalised, from 23 September to 20 October 2021.  88 662 are backlogged GBVF-related cases.  REASON FOR DEVIATION: Non-availability of consumables.  Building closed for decontamination due to COVID-19 positive cases. No maintenance of equipment machinery.				
Ensure that FCS Unit members (investigating officers) attend debriefing sessions.	507 FCS members attended trauma debriefing.				



### PROGRESS ON SAPS ACTIVITIES FOR GBVF (4)

Activity	Progress			
Effective management of complaints in matters related to GBVF cases	The reviewed National Instruction, 6 of 2017, version 2, has been finalised and rolled-out for implementation as per Consolidation Notice, May 2021, Number 12/2021. The Standard Operating Procedure, for National Instruction, 6 of 2017, version 2, has been approved and rolled-out for implementation, on 28 May 2021. A total of <b>30</b> GBVF-related complaints were received during the period and were addressed, within 7 working days (100%), between 24 June and 21 July 2021. A total of <b>42</b> GBVF-related complaints were received during the period and were addressed, within 7 working days (100%), between 23 July and 23 August 2021. A total of <b>58</b> GBVF-related complaints were received during the period and were addressed, within 7 working days (100%), between 24 August and 22 September 2021. <b>61</b> GBVF-related complaints were received during the period and were addressed, within 7 working days (100%), between 22 September 2021to 20 October 2021. <b>67%</b> of complaints, in matters related to GBVF cases, were finalised within 14 days, between July 2021 and 30 September 2021.			



### PROGRESS ON SAPS ACTIVITIES FOR GBVF (5)

Activity	Progress				
Percentage of functional police stations rendering a victim-friendly service to victims of crime, including GBVF [Division: Visible Policing and Operations].	1 155 (100%) of functional police stations are rendering a victim- friendly service to victims of crime, including GBVF.				
Develop a Top 30 Station Action Plan to ensure a focused response at the Top 30 GBV, Sexual Offences and Domestic Violence Police Stations.	A total of 68 prevention and awareness programmes were conducted at the Top 30 GBV Hotspot police stations, between 24 August and 22 September 2021. A total of 104 prevention and awareness programmes were conducted at the Top 30 GBV Hotspot police stations, between 23 September 2021to 20 October 2021.				
Fast-track the vetting process of persons, providing services directly to children and mentally disabled persons, in terms of the National Register for Sex Offenders.	518 certificates have been issued, to date.				



### PROGRESS ON SAPS ACTIVITIES FOR GBVF (6)

Activity	Progress				
Conduct proactive training interventions for SAPS members dealing with GBVF.	170 members trained and declared competent, from 24 June to 21 July 2021. (Training was suspended, due to COVID-19)- 99,08%. 217 Members trained and 215 declared competent, between 23 July and 23 August 2021- 96,38%. 967 Members trained and 932 declared competent, between 23 September and 23 October 2021.				
Conduct reactive training interventions for SAPS members dealing with GBVF.	<b>Progress achieved: 95,41%</b> (414 Members trained and 395 declared competent).				
Reduced availability of liquor.	607 Illegal liquor premises closed/illegal trade terminated, between 24 June and 21 July 2021. 1191 Illegal liquor premises closed/illegal trade terminated, between 24 August and 22 September 2021. 1270 Illegal liquor premises closed/illegal trade terminated, between 23 September 2021 and 20 October 2021.				



### PROGRESS ON SAPS ACTIVITIES FOR GBVF (7)

Activity	Progress				
Establishment of the Gender-Based Violence Desks, at police stations.	On 27 September 2021, the National Commissioner approved the work study, by Organisational Development, on the establishment of GBV Desks, at police stations.				
	The establishment of GBV Desks is piloted in three phases.				
	1st phase: 134 GBV desks were established: Western Cape 121; KwaZulu-Natal 7; Eastern Cape 3; Free State 1; North West 1; and Gauteng 1. Phase 1 ended on 30 September 2021.				
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> phase</b> : 30 GBV Hotspots identified by each province, except Western Cape (A total of 270 police stations) and must be completed, by 31 December 2021.				
	<b>3rd phase:</b> All remaining police stations (a total of 712): roll-out nationwide scale. This phase must be completed, by 31 March 2022.				



# ORDERS PLACED FOR EVIDENCE COLLECTION KITS, FROM 2019-08-16 TO 2021-10-20

Description	Quantity Ordered	Value Ordered	Quantity Delivered	Total Value Delivered
D1: Kit, Collection, Adult, Sexual Assault	58 662	R10 685 869,92	58 662	R10 685 869,92
D7: Kit, Collection, Paediatric, Sexual Assault	50 674	R9 772 987,64	50 674	R9 772 987,64
DB: Kit, Collection, Swab Reference System	358 552	R90 301 321,20	358 552	R90 301 321,20
DB: Kit, Collection, Swab Reference System	30 936	R7 791 231,60	30 936	R7 791 231,60
D1: Kit, Collection, Adult, Sexual Assault	39 829	R7 255 250,64	39 829	R7 255 250,64
D7: Kit, Collection, Paediatric, Sexual Assault	17 323	R3 340 913,78	17 323	R3 340 913,78



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Description	Quantity Ordered	Value Ordered	Quantity Delivered	Total Value Delivered
DB: Kit, Collection, Swab Reference System	256 471	R64 592 221,35	256 471	R64 592 221,35
D1: Kit, Collection, Adult, Sexual Assault	9 167	R1 778 398,00	9 167	R1 778 398,00
D1: Kit, Collection, Adult, Sexual Assault	44 599	R8 652 206,00	33 648	R6 527 712.00
D7: Kit, Collection, Paediatric, Sexual Assault	29 896	R6 140 339,44	23 094	R4 743 276,66
DB: Kit, Collection, Swab Reference System	40 009	R10 731 213,98	40 009	R10 731 213,98
Total	936 118	R221 041 953,55	918 365	R217 520 396.77



# SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE COLLECTION KITS (SAECK) DELIVERED DURING 2021/2022

Kit Description	Total Ordered	Total delivered	Outstanding	Total % Delivered	Comments
D1	44 599	33 648	14 819	75%	Delivery in progress
D7	29 896	23 094	6 802	77%	Delivery in progress
DB	40 009	40 009	0	100%	Delivered in Full



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