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CASAMBO EXCLUSIVE GUEST LODGE LINKED TO ESKOM WATER TRANSPORT CORRUPTION IS AUCTIONED TO RECOVER MONEY ESKOM LOST

Casambo Exclusive Guest Lodge in Mpumalanga will be auctioned in an online timed auction from Tuesday 26 March 2024 from 10h00 to Thursday 28 March 2024 at 12h00. The sale of the property comes after the Special Investigating Unit (SIU) and the Asset Forfeiture Unit (AFU) of the National Prosecuting Authority received an unopposed forfeiture order from the High Court of South Africa: Gauteng Division, Pretoria.

Members of the public who wish to purchase the property can do so from this link:

https://bit.ly/CasamboAuction

The forfeiture order dated, 20 March 2024, is concerning the corruption at Eskom's Kusile Power Station at the Pretoria High Court.

The forfeiture order also includes a commercial property in Mbombela, a house in an estate, five cars, a golf cart, and a quad bike, which are the proceeds of unlawful activities at Eskom's Kusile Power Station following allegations of serious maladministration and corruption.

Assets forfeited are:

- 1. Two portions of Casambo Exclusive Guest Lodge in Mbombela,
- 2. A house in Stonehenge Ext 1 Mbombela, registered in the name of Muzi Sambo,
- 3. A house in White River Mbombela, registered under Casambo property development
- 4. Lotus Europa vehicle
- 5. Subaru Impreza, registered in the name of Zenzile Sanderson

- 6. VW Polo Vivo Blue Line, registered in the name of Phuwanda
- 7. VW Polo Vivo, registered in the name of Phuwanda
- 8. Hilux 2,5D-4D 4X4, registered in the name of Mwakasambo
- 9. Yamaha Golf Cart
- 10. Yamaha Raptor 90 Quad Bike

Companies and individuals who benefitted are the following:

- 1. Carol Zenzile Sanderson, owner of Casambo Exclusive Guest Lodge
- 2. Siphiwe Musa Wandile Mkhwanazi, previously employed by Tamukelo as an Operations Manager, the sole member of Phuwanda Trading CC from October 2012, which was a sub-contractor to Tamukelo
- 3. Lloyds Muzi Sambo, a Chief Operating Officer and sole member of Tamukelo, appointed on 01 March 2018
- 4. Mukelo Petunia Sambo, founder of Tamukelo and former Member of Tamukelo from 07 June 2002 to 13 October 2017
- 5. Zenzile Carol Sanderson, wife of Lloyds Sambo and former Member of Tamukelo from 27 June 2012 to 01 March 2018
- 6. Casambo Property Development
- 7. Judith Ann Gable
- 8. Phindile Ntombikayise Msimango
- 9. Lusanda Trading CC
- 10. Mwakasambo Pty Ltd

The forfeiture order is a result of the Proclamation R11 of 2018 amended by Proclamation R.3 of 2020, authorising the SIU to investigate the affairs of Eskom.

The SIU's investigation found that an Eskom vendor, Tamukelo Business Enterprises, which provided Water Trucking services to the Eskom Kusile project site from approximately 15 June 2009 to November 2020, made various payments to the benefit of various current/former Eskom officials. The SIU's findings implicate the members and representatives of Tamukelo Business Enterprises. The preliminary investigations by the SIU revealed that Eskom, in respect of this case, lost almost R400 million from the unlawful tender granted to the vendor.

Former Eskom employee, Duduzile Babalwa Moyo received payments or benefits of more than R24,5 million, which were paid from Tamukelo Business Enterprise for transporting raw and potable water from Kendal Power Station to Kusile Power Station.

The forfeiture order is part of implementing SIU's investigation outcomes and consequence management to recover cash and assets lost by State institutions due to alleged corruption or negligence.

The SIU is empowered to institute civil action in the High Court or a Special Tribunal in its name, to correct any wrongdoing uncovered during its investigations caused by acts of corruption, fraud, or maladministration. In line with the Special Investigating Units and Special Tribunals Act 74 of 1996, the SIU refers any evidence pointing to criminal conduct to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for further action.

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