

# FACT SHEET

## INDIGENOUS GAMES



### WHAT IS INDIGENOUS GAMES FESTIVAL?

This is the Department of Sport and Recreation South Africa Active Nation Programme taking place in September during the Heritage Month.

### WHAT IS THE EVENT ORIGIN?

It originates from the preservation of traditional games and heritage by ensuring sustainability in a formalised environment. The intention is to establishing a league system to encourage participation with the possibility of winning teams getting

an opportunity to compete during international heritage games events.

### WHAT IS THE EVENT OBJECTIVE ?

preservation of indigenous sports and recreation activities contributing to heritage of indigenous sport and recreation in South Africa.

### WHAT IS THE DESIRED OUTCOME ?

Contribution to improvement of the overall wellbeing of the nation and facilitation of active creation

campaigns on programmes with a specific focus on designated groups.

### WHAT IS PROGRAMME TARGET AUDIENCE / WHO PARTICIPATES IN EVENT ?

Communities throughout all provinces and all The Provincial departments of sport and recreation across the nine provinces.

### WHO ARE EVENT STAKEHOLDERS ?

Department of Sport and Recreation South Africa (Custodian of event)  
Limpopo Provincial Department of Sport arts and recreation  
District municipalities  
Local municipalities  
Provincial Governments

### WHERE IS EVENT HOSTED ?

Hosted in partnership with Limpopo Provincial Department, event therefore takes place in Limpopo at the Seshego stadium.

### WHEN DOES THE EVENT TAKES PLACE ?

The event is held in September coinciding with the heritage months' celebrations in South Africa.

### WHAT ARE EVENT LOGISTICS?

9 Provincial Teams competed in 9 disciplines Codes (i.e.) Kgati, Morabaraba, Ncuva, Khokho, Dibeke, lintonga, Diketo, Jukskei and Drie Stokkies.

Event entrance is free as no cover charge is required

Event takes place for a durational period of four days.

Two Indigenous Games teams who emerge as the strongest get to participate in the TAFISA (The Association for International Sport for all) World Sport for All Games, Jarkata, Indonesia.

### ANNUALLY, HOW MANY PARTICIPANTS ARE INVOLVED IN THE INDIGENOUS GAMES EVENT / PROGRAMME??

+/- 2800 participants from all provinces participated in the games annually, with the community of Seshego in attendance

### WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES ARE THERE?

Event also exhibiting children 'entertainment, traditional foods, arts & crafts and music entertainment by various traditional groups.

