



Eskom applied for 15% tariff increase

Eskom has asked the National Energy Regulator of SA (NERSA) for a 15% tariff increase for the next three years, beginning 2019-2020. NERSA will hold public hearings in January 2019 and evaluate the application. They rarely grant Eskom its full application; however, Eskom's double-digit electricity increase will very likely continue into the next three years. Electricity prices rose 350% in the 10 years prior to 2017. Eskom is in deep financial misfortune with falling sales and a declining ability to meet debt obligations and tariffs which are not cost-reflective.

CIT ROBBERY foiled by police

Kroondal/ Rustenburg – A multi-disciplinary task team comprising Crime Intelligence, Tracking Teams, SAPS Airwing and Magma Investigations conducted a crime intelligence tactical operation in Kroondal near Rustenburg on Wednesday 14 November. The suspects were tracked to a safe house. Once they realised that they were cornered, they sped off in four vehicles. According to colonel Brenda Muridili, the teams gave chase and swiftly arrested eight suspects, between the ages of 33 and 42. During the arrest, the police seized four vehicles: two sedans, an SUV and a minibus.

They also confiscated an assault rifle and ammunition. Besides the eight arrested, more suspects are on the loose. Investigations continue. The national commissioner has commended the continuous thwarting of planned cash in transit (CIT) robberies and the arrest of suspects before they can carry out their brazen attacks. The suspects face charges of conspiracy to commit armed robbery, the possession of a prohibited firearm and ammunition, and the possession of suspected stolen motor vehicles. The case has been transferred to the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation for further investigations.



Two of the seized vehicles.

An assault rifle that was found in the suspects' possession.

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Rapist finally behind bars

Rustenburg – On Thursday 15 November the Rustenburg Regional court sentenced the 31-year old Amose Thapelo Sithole to an effective eight years imprisonment on a charge of rape. Sithole was found guilty of raping a 20-year old female in Buffelspoort near Marikana in 2015. According to sergeant Ofentse Mokgadi, Sithole and the victim were in the company of their friends when the two decided to go and buy food. Sithole had other plans instore. He drove to a secluded spot and raped her. The South African Police Service (SAPS) family violence, child protection and sexual offences unit (FCS) commander, lieutenant colonel Mosidi Mafora congratulated detective sergeant Phenyo Monchusi for her hard work, and further thanked other stakeholders who assisted in securing the conviction.



Sergeant Phenyo Monchusi played a vital role in securing the conviction.

Weather Report North West RUSTENBURG

Friday	23 November 2018	30°C - 19°C
Saturday	24 November 2018	32°C - 19°C
Sunday	25 November 2018	34°C - 21°C
Monday	26 November 2018	33°C - 20°C
Tuesday	27 November 2018	31°C - 19°C

Rainfall probability (%) 0

Sunrise 04:40 Sunset 17:49

FINANCIAL INDICATORS		
ZAR / USD	14.05	0.38%
Rand/Pound	17.99	0.22%
Rand/Euro	16.01	0.18%
Rand/Aus Dollar	10.17	0.06%
Dollar/Pound	1.28	-0.13%
Pound/Euro	1.12	0.04%
GOLD	1,222.68	-0.18%
Platinum	846.60	0.31%
Palladium	1,131.10	-3.49%

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