

# LOTTO HEIST: National Lotteries Commission (NLC) investigations

## Farm preservation order timeline(1/3)



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**Mr Phillemon Letwaba**  
Former NLC COO

3 July 2015

Application for grant funding for Lulamisa Community Development Organisation NPO (Lulamisa) was submitted to NLC. On the application form the NPO requested an amount of **R85 million** for the purpose of **"hosting the Commonwealth Games which would benefit the people of South Africa and boost the economy of the city of Durban"**.

14 August 2015

The application was approved for **R80 million** in NLC funding. The following members appear on the grant funding application that was submitted to the NLC: Mabundza (Chairperson), Malwandla Solly Siweya (Treasurer), Godfrey Junior Mageza (Deputy Chairperson), Khosa (Secretary) and Ntombizodwa Kwanile Mabunda (Deputy Secretary).

23 September 2015

Mabundza signed the grant agreement on behalf of **Lulamisa** in his capacity as "Chairperson" and Charlotte Mampane signed on behalf of the NLC in her capacity as Commissioner of the NLC. The grant agreement was witnessed by Siweya, one of the members of the hijacked **Lulamisa** NPO. **Lulamisa** was granted **R80 million** payable in two tranches of **R64 million** and **R16 million** respectively.



1- 2 March 2016

**Lulamisa** transferred an amount of **R150 568.32** to bank account belonging to **Iron Bridge Travelling Agency and Events**. **Lulamisa** further transferred an amount of **R561 701.45**. **Iron Bridge Travel and Events** owned by **Rebotile Malomane**, wife of former NLC COO **Phillemon Letwaba**.

1 October 2015

NLC transferred the first tranche of **R64 million** to **Lulamisa's** bank account. Prior to receiving the transfer of **R64 million** from the NLC, **Lulamisa's** bank account had a credit balance of only **R20.90**.

According to the Department of Social Development (DSD) registered members of **Lulamisa Community Development Organisation NPO** are different to the ones that on the NLC application. The SIU has identified **Lulamisa** as a **hijacked NPO**.

31 March 2016

**Lulamisa** also transferred an amount of **R2 000 000.00** to **Iron Bridge Travelling and Events**, prior to this transfer, the company had **R1 372 412.31**

11 April 2016

**Iron Bridge Travelling and Events** transferred an amount of **R1 000 000.00** to a conveyancing attorneys towards the purchase of the farm.

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11/19 February 2016

**Konani Pfundzo Learning Centre** submitted an application for grant funding to the NLC on 11 February 2016 for **R49 935 697.52**. The purpose of the request was to assist **Tshikovha Graduate Academy**, an NPC, for the project of drilling 200 boreholes in Limpopo, Mpumalanga, Northwest, Free State and Eastern Cape Provinces. On 19 February 2016, NLC awarded **Konani Pfundzo Learning Centre** grant funding of **R55 463 735**.

22 February 2016

**Konani Pfundzo** and **Tshikovha Graduate** signed a memorandum that the grant will be transferred to **Tshikovha Graduate** within two working days.

24 February 2016

**Konani Pfundzo** received grand funding from NLC, an amount of **R55 250 000** was transferred to the bank account of **Tshikovha Graduate**.

23 March 2016

**Redtaq** transferred an amount of **R2 400 000.00** to conveyancing attorneys. **Iron Bridge Travelling and Events** transferred two amounts of **R66 009.83** and **R300 000.00** to the same conveyancing attorneys. These amount went towards the purchasing of the farm.

03 March 2016,

**Tshikovha** further transferred an amount of **R4 500 000.00** to **Redtaq**.



01 March 2016

**Redtaq** transferred an amount of **R600 000.00** to **Iron Bridge Travelling and Events**.

26 February 2016

**Konani Pfundzo** transferred an amount of **R4 800 000.00** to a bank account belonging to a private company named **Redtaq (pty) LTD**. **Karabo Charles Sithole** is the sole director of **Redtaq** and he is **Philemon Letwaba's** cousin.

30 March 2016

**Tshikovha** transferred an amount of **R8 000 000.00** to a bank account belonging to **Mshandukani Holdings**, before this transaction, **Mshandukani Holdings** had a total amount of **R838 779.59** in their bank account. **Mashudu Shandukani** is the sole director of **Mshandukani Holdings**.



05 April 2016

**Mshandukani Holdings** transferred an amount of **R1 000 000.00** to bank account of **Ndzhuku Holdings**. Before this transaction, **Ndzhuku Holdings** had **R31 713.34** in its bank account. On the same day, **Ndzhuku Holdings** transferred an amount of **R1 000 000.00** to conveyancing attorneys towards the purchasing of the farm.

28 March 2024

The **Special Investigating Unit (SIU)** has obtained an interdict from the Special Tribunal to **stop the sale of a farm in Limpopo** that is linked to the former National Lotteries Commission (NLC) Chief Operations Officer **Philemon Letwaba** and his brother **Johannes Letwaba**.

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