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'Stop giving to beggars at Lenz intersections!' - Cllr Karolia

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Lenasia Ward 9 Councillor Yakoob 'Jakes' Karolia and his team have embarked on a campaign to clear all traffic intersections in Lenasia of beggars and loiterers, and arrest those who fail to comply. Karolia is urging residents and motorists to work together and donate to their local churches, temples and mosques and "to stop giving money and food at intersections as this is also an infringement of bylaws". The operation is said to be part of an effort to reduce the high crime and various incidences on the roads. Cllr Karolia explained: "By continuously giving beggars money we are encouraging them to come into Lenasia. They come from surrounding areas of Protea, Ennerdale, Nancefield

and also the Thembelihle local camps. We are working together with continued on pg 2 >>

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During a drive around Lenasia, Cllr Karolia and his team spoke to the beggars and explained the way forward.

'Stop giving to beggars at Lenz intersections!' - Cllr Karolia

Ward committee member for Safety, Moosa Karolia, expressed his concern during the operation: “We are launching

Meanwhile in another effort to clean the town of dirt and grime, Cllr Karolia and his team are encouraging the public to assist with the cleanup operation planned for 25 October 2025 in the Lenasia Central Business District and surrounding areas, stating: “The growing problem of illegal dumping in and around the CBD area is of serious concern. This critical problem has a negative impact on our environment, public health, and the overall cleanliness of our community, adding: “Pikitup officials acknowledged these concerns and committed to increasing regular clean-ups, improving waste collection schedules, and monitoring hotspot areas more effectively.”



Lenasia Ward 9 Councillor Yakoob 'Jakes' Karolia is seen here (above) with dedicated & popular Ward Committee member Yusuf 'Joe' Ebrahim (left) in the parking lot behind Jamia Mosque where lots of garbage was dumped. In the photo below, after intervention by the councillor & his team, the same garbage can now be seen as having been removed as part of cleanup efforts in the Lenasia CBD.



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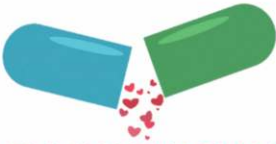
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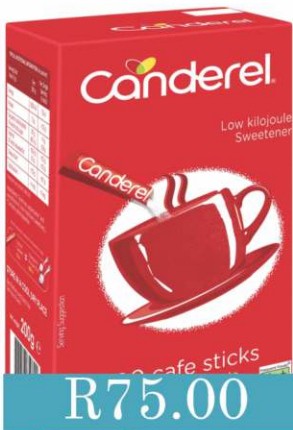
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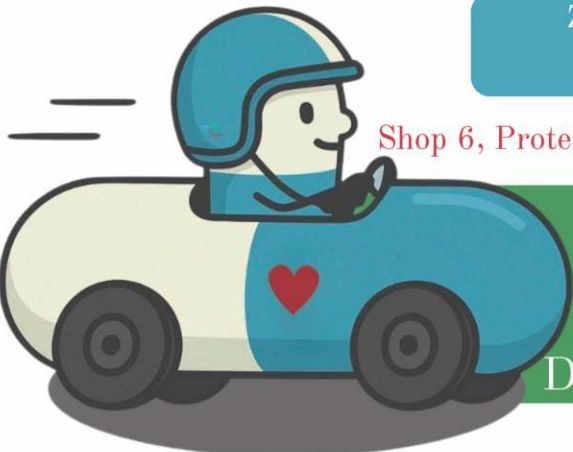
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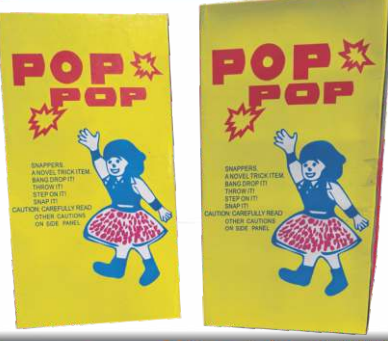
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The Constitution prohibits arbitrary deprivation of property and further stipulates that no person may be evicted from his/her home without an order of Court. For numerous landlords, evictions are perceived negatively and as, nearly unattainable, particularly in the current social and economic factors in society, nevertheless, this perspective is not consistently true. Landlords who are fed up with requesting rent from tenants when it is due or managing troublesome tenants have options accessible to them via the Court. Eviction procedures are governed by the Prevention of Illegal Eviction from and Unlawful Occupation of Property Act (“PIE Act”). The Court’s decisions are founded on the just and equitable criterion. For a tenant to be evicted, there must exist valid reasons or cause for the eviction. Some common valid reasons are as follows:

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2. Lease period expires and the tenant fails to vacate the premises;
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4. Tenant causing damage to the property (does not

Evictions - Leased Properties

refer to the wear and tear of the normal use of the property) or

5. Tenant is engaging in illegal activities on the property.

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Should the tenant fail to remedy the breach timeously, the landlord is to cancel the lease agreement prior to commencing with the eviction process. It is therefore recommended that landlords have lease agreements in writing.

The eviction procedure entails providing a tenant with a formal written notice to vacate the property, in tenant failing to vacate the property, to proceed to applying to court for an eviction order on notice, attending to service of the notice upon the relevant parties and further, following subsequent steps until the date of hearing of the eviction. The time to obtain an order of eviction is subject to whether the application for eviction is opposed or unopposed by the unlawful occupiers. Where a tenant has no valid defence, and a subsequent eviction order is granted by the Court, the Sheriff will be authorized to remove the tenant and his/her belongings from the property.

A landlord is compelled to follow the legal process in respect of evictions, any landlord that changes locks, cuts of the tenant’s use of utilities or conducts an illegal eviction constitutes a criminal offense and will further cause delays in obtaining an order for eviction.

For any legal advice/concerns in respect of Lease Agreements or Evictions your welcome to reach out to our offices.

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Movie of the Month *Sunny Sanskari Ki Tulsi Kumari*

Rating: 8/10

Varun Dhawan and Jahnvi Kapoor return in this movie after their previous outing together in Bawaal two years ago, with a very different romcom theme this time than the somewhat violent love story of their previous film.

The rather unusual title comes from their names Sunny (Varun) and Tulsi Kumari (Jahnvi), which are also a kind of pun on the clash between traditional values of arranged marriages and the modern youth view on love, marriage and naming children.

The plot that sets the scene for some very entertaining comedy is quite simple – Sunny, who hails from a middle class family, is besotted with Ananya (Sanya Malhotra) whose higher-class family has plans for her to be married to someone of their own stature, Vikram (Rohit Saraf), so she breaks up with him.

A determined Sunny and his friend hatch a crazy plan that leads to some fun and poignant moments. They discover that Vikram also has broken up with his girlfriend Tulsi because of the same class views of his parents. So Sunny teams up with Tulsi to find their way to the wedding week events of the other pair in an attempt to get them to call it off through some zany interactions.

However, their attempts

to win back their respective first loves end up with a number of twists in the tale, especially in the climax when you think that everything is settled. Telling more would spoil your enjoyment of the movie.

Varun and Jahnvi have a screen chemistry that has the potential of making them a great romantic couple for this generation of Bollywood stars. Varun in particular shows that he has inherited the genes of his his father, ace comedy maker David Dhawan, who made some of the best comedy films of the 1980s and 1990s.

There are traces of director Shashank Kaitan being guided by Karan Johar, who co-produces the film and makes a cameo appearance as himself in a self-effacing scene that adds to the entertainment.

No need for tissues, but there are a few moving scenes as the plot unfolds and there are some good songs in the movie too.

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Amid startling findings about alcohol abuse among youth in South Africa, the Southern African Alcohol Policy Alliance in South Africa (SAAPA SA) has called for a ban advertising and sponsorship that reaches youth.

The Alliance has issued a critical new warning: alcohol advertising is not just selling brands — it is shaping children’s behaviour, fuelling underage drinking, and driving lifelong harm.

A statement issued by the Alliance brings together local and global evidence, including the 2025 Planet Youth Survey conducted by the University of Cape Town, which achieved an unprecedented 89% response rate across 49,000 Grade 8 and 9 learners in 123 schools. The findings are stark:

- 40% of learners have already tried alcohol.
- 23% began before age 13.
- 22% drank in the past 30 days; 15% were drunk at least once in the past month.
- Alcohol is most often obtained from shops (53%), friends (43%), and family (34%).
- Drinking peaks during public holidays (72%), after exams (51%), and at friends’ homes (54%) — showing how deeply entrenched alcohol has become in social life.

This local reality is reinforced by international and South African evidence:

Call to ban alcohol advertising & sponsorship that reaches youth

- Children exposed to alcohol adverts are significantly more likely to drink (SABSSM 2017 analysis).
- The International Alcohol Control study shows a direct association between adolescent drinking and liking adverts.
- Global studies reveal children are exposed to alcohol marketing every 4–8 minutes in daily life — patterns mirrored in South African townships and cities.
- WHO reviews conclude children repeatedly exposed to alcohol advertising start drinking younger, drink more heavily, and face higher risks of hazardous patterns later in life.

South Africa already suffers some of the world’s highest levels of alcohol-related harm. Statistics indicate that alcohol is linked to over half of violent injuries and 27% of road deaths are alcohol related, with the economic costs running into billions of rands annually.

“Every billboard, sports sponsorship and social media post is an invitation to our children to drink. This is predatory marketing — and its effects are devastating: violence in our homes, blood on our roads, and illness in our hospitals. South Africa cannot continue to let the industry target our children,” said SAAPA SA Campaign Director Nomcebo Dlamini, who is also Deputy Chair of the Central Drug Authority.

Dlamini’s work with the youth is the catalyst to her consistent pursuance of solutions to the challenges they face including substance abuse, which she sees as the cause of the derailment of many young lives especially in South Africa’s disadvantaged urban, peri-urban and rural communities.

SAAPA SA is calling for immediate government action to ban advertising and sponsorship that reaches youth (billboards near schools, sports sponsorships, online targeting). It also wants to replace industry self-regulation with statutory restrictions aligned with World Health Organisation recommendations and investment in safe, alcohol-free recreational and cultural spaces for youth.

“The science is clear. The harm is measurable. The victims are our children. This is a national public health emergency, and the time for decisive action is now,” the organisation said as it embarks on a national awareness campaign that also aims to involve leaders of all faiths in the exercise.

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Just days after Apple released its Apple Watch Ultra 3 during the “Awe Dropping” iPhone 17 launch event, Huawei has unveiled its GT6 series which ticks the right boxes when it comes to features, specifically battery life in a battle for endurance and power longevity. Huawei announced the new wearable at the “Ride the Wind” launch event in Paris on Friday, September 19, 2025, with the Watch GT6 series making its debut as the successor to last year’s GT5 and GT5 Pro.

Restrictions
Amid US restrictions, Huawei continues to battle Apple, Samsung and other brands who have America market share. However, there might be hope after the United States announced a “framework” deal with China to resolve their dispute over TikTok. US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent announced the agreement after a second day of talks with Chinese Vice-Premier He Lifeng in Madrid, which also includes discussions about the wider US-China trade dispute which has kept Huawei out of the US

Huawei unveils GT6 series as battle of smart wearables takes centre stage

markets. The Huawei Watch has subtle changes. Compared to last year’s GT5 series, aesthetically the new wearable has maintained the same shape, albeit new colours like brown and purple

Battery
When it comes to watches, battery life has always been the downfall of most smartwatches, especially those by Apple. While Apple’s Ultra 3 looks fairly impressive, with a larger display and 42-hour battery life, it has been muted with the Huawei Watch GT6 series smartwatches offering twelve times the battery life of the Apple Watch Ultra 3. Even after years of perfecting wearable designs, most smartwatch brands still struggle to get you through more than a few days without needing a re-juice. Huawei, on the other hand, has built a reputation for crafting smartwatches that last a bit longer than your average and now the brand has pushed that even further with up to 21 days battery life.

Features
Users who don’t want to charge every day tend to prefer Huawei or Garmin. Huawei has been able to deliver significantly better



battery life than most Apple/Samsung watches, especially when not using all features at maximum. This is essential when it comes to sleep tracking and Pulse wave arrhythmia analysis which uses high-precision sensor to screen for abnormal heartbeat rhythms. While Apple, Samsung and other brands lack the battery life, they have a bit more features. Huawei’s watches often have fewer available third party apps, and fewer integrations (e.g. payments, voice assistants) than Apple or Samsung which South Africans have been waiting for.

Smart features limitations:
Features like LTE connectivity, contactless payments, local voice assistants are more polished in Apple and Samsung and Huawei sometimes lags in those, depending on region.

Durability
There is also shifting strategy to focus more on durability and resilience is to broaden the appeal of wearables by specifically targeting fitness enthusiasts, outdoor users, and consumers who prioritize reliability in everyday use.

Health monitoring
Health has become a priority for many, especially after the Covid 19 Pandemic. Heart rates, blood oxygen, electrocardiogram (ECG) and blood pressure measuring which was once confined to the doctors rooms with a consultation fee can now be measured with a wearable on your wrist. In South Africa, cardiovascular disease is responsible for almost one in six deaths (17.3%) with strokes the third highest cause. This makes wearable technology an important tool in a

bid to maintain health.

Other stuff and pricing
Huawei also unveiled the Watch Ultimate 2, and D2 with advanced health and fitness monitoring. Other announcements included the debut of the Huawei Nova 14 Series, FreeBuds7i, and MatePad 12 X.

South African pricing for the watches and other products is yet to be revealed. For more information, please follow us on social media:
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time in South Africa, driven by the Ophthalmological Society of South Africa (OSSA) and the South African Optometric Association (SAOA), thousands of voices are casting a spotlight on the importance of eye health. “We know that eye health has a profound impact on the wellbeing, productivity, and safety of all South Africans, including our leadership, and during ECAM and World Sight Day, we are committed to reinforcing the importance of eye health for all, including the highest levels of policy-making. The Love Your Eyes campaign and World Sight Day celebrations act as a timely reminder to us all of the vital role our eyes can play in helping us reach our full potential at work at all levels,” says Nivien Subramany, President of the SAOA. “In a world where, for many, equitable access to eye care remains a distant reality, pledging to ‘Love Your Eyes’ and hosting, for example, workplace vision screenings act as a powerful form of advocacy.” ECAM embraces the principle that together, we are creating a world where South Africans can have eye health that is accessible and affordable. ECAM presents a series of opportunities for various role-players to get involved; schools and organisations are encouraged to collaborate with optometrists where screening the vision of adults and children can be arranged. It needs to be stated loudly and repeatedly - eye health is not an optional extra. It is vital to everything. For more information you can visit the SAOA website www.saoa.co.za, or send an email to info@saoa.co.za



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Military experts will agree that if any power sets out beating war drums and loudly proclaiming clearly defined goals but after a lengthy period of killing innocent people, including causing enormous devastation and destruction by its army, is forced to accept a ceasefire without attaining any of its goals militarily, cannot claim to be victorious.

Yet this is exactly what Israel's war criminal Benjamin Netanyahu is claiming, despite failing miserably apart from the horrendous genocide and mass slaughter of thousands upon thousands of Palestinians in the Occupied Gaza Strip.

For understanding the context of Netanyahu's boastful claims of "victory", it is necessary to recall that among his key demands to justify invoking Amalek days after October 7, has been to "wipe Gaza off the map", the "destruction of Hamas" and the "return of all hostages".

Jewish media accounts remind us that on October 28th, as Israel began its ground invasion of Gaza, Netanyahu announced Israel's "one supreme goal: To destroy the murderous enemy."

Israeli soldiers, he boasted, "are longing to recompense the murderers . . . They are committed to eradicating this evil from the world."

And recall too Netanyahu quoting Devarim 25:17: "Remember what Amalek did to you".

In a letter to soldiers published a few days later, Netanyahu repeated this quotation, explaining that "the current fight against the murderers of 'Hamas' is another chapter in the generations-long story of our national resilience."

He brazenly referred to the biblical account as a perpetual commandment to kill any descendents of the Amalekite people.

Indeed, South Africa soon cited Netanyahu's comments, along with other invocations of Amalek by Israeli politicians and military personnel, in its complaint to the International Court of Justice as proof of Israel's genocidal intent toward Gaza.

South Africa's lawyer and legal activist Tembeka Ngcukaitobi reminded the world court that Netanyahu, on Oct. 28, used the biblical Amalek narrative while inciting his soldiers to attack Gaza, a violent theory that refers to entirely crushing the population of Gaza, including its women and children.

The South African lawyer also said that Netanyahu repeated the Amalek narrative in another letter to the Israeli soldiers on Nov. 3.

"You must remember what Amalek has done to you, says our Holy Bible.

Netanyahu's claim of "victory" is part of Hasbara narrative to conceal defeat

1 Samuel 15:3 'Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass',," Netanyahu said.

Fast forward to September 2025 when all hell was let loose in Gaza City. Al Jazeera's Hani Mahmoud, reporting from there, said it was "heartbreaking to watch these high-rise towers in Gaza City falling one after another due to the systematic tactics of the Israeli military".

"It's not just a building that's been destroyed – it's the services that come with it, services that are crucial for people trying to live their lives after nearly two years of war."

A few weeks before that Netanyahu once again made it clear that Israel plans to take control of Gaza. In an interview on Fox News in Jerusalem, in his defiance and arrogance he said Israelis "intend to" take over Gaza.

However, his blind pursuit to obliterate all signs of life in Gaza, by bombing it relentlessly around the clock for two years, resulted in Netanyahu digging his own grave.

Palestine became a dominant symbol of resilience and resistance across the world.

Unprecedented mobilisation of solidarity with the Palestinians saw millions take to the streets in all corners of the globe demanding a halt to the genocide as well as denouncing Netanyahu and his criminal gang of warlords.

United Nations human rights chief condemned Israel for what he described as the "mass killing" of civilians and deliberate obstruction of lifesaving aid.

Volker Turk, the United Nations high commissioner for human rights, accused Israel of committing "war crime upon war crime" and said the scale of devastation in Gaza was "shocking the conscience of the world".

To add to Netanyahu's misery, a new report published against the backdrop of intensifying Israeli military operations in Gaza City, the UN Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and Israel, urged Israel and all countries to fulfil their obligations under international law "to end the genocide" and punish those responsible.

"The Commission finds that Israel is responsible for the commission of genocide in Gaza," insisted Navi Pillay, Chair of the Commission. "It is clear that there is an intent to destroy the Palestinians

in Gaza through acts that meet the criteria set forth in the Genocide Convention".

With the global tide of public opinion turned against Netanyahu and his genocidal regime, he is desperate to now inject a narrative of "victory and success", with Trump along his side.

Having failed to defeat Hamas and the Resistance groups, and also not succeeding militarily to free the captives, Netanyahu grabbed Trump's rope to drag him out of the hole.

The reality of Israel's failure is eloquently summarised by senior Hamas leader Osama Hamdan:

- One of the political indications of the ceasefire agreement in Gaza is that the occupation was unable to achieve the goals it set with military force;
- The enemy was forced to negotiate with the resistance, and after two years, it could not eradicate it despite all international and regional support;
- The resistance will not hand over its weapons before liberation, and after liberation, they will remain for self-defense;
- We will not accept exchanging reconstruction for our national right to resistance;
- We will not leave the Gaza Strip; rather, we are planning for Hamas leaders abroad to return to Gaza, and the Palestinian people reject displacement.

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A photograph of four young women standing in a hallway, wearing red and white tracksuits. They are smiling and looking at the camera. The woman on the far left is wearing a black skirt and black socks with 'USA' written on them. The woman second from the left is wearing glasses and a black shirt under her tracksuit. The woman third from the left is wearing a black shirt under her tracksuit. The woman on the far right is wearing a black shirt under her tracksuit. The hallway has a green wall and a white door in the background.


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