

### **Youth Power: Empowering future** rights advocates / 3

n a world where human rights are increasingly under threat, the call for youth advocates is, yet again, an issue of importance. LSU is not short of such vibrant young people, ready to light the



### **JSC launches IECMS at LSU Main Campus**

The Judicial Services Com-(JSC) recentlty launched the Integrated Electronic Case Management System (IECMS) at the Lupane State University (LSU) campus, marking a significant transformation in the delivery of justice in Zimbabwe.



### **Ixhiba** Lamantombazane reaches out to the girl child / 5

n celebrating the Africa Day, Ixhiba Lamantombazane hosted a Session 2 event, where young girls had the opportunity to engage in open and honest conversations with their elders in Lupane.

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LSU's Acting Dean for the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Dr



Director of the African Food Revolution organisation and Lecturer at LSU, Mr

## Cultural Spotlight: LSU's Culture Month initiatives

### By Michelle Moyo

commemorate the Nation-Lal Culture Month, Lupane State University (LSU), took the opportunity to recount successes and initiatives it has achieved since the inception of the event in 2023.

The 2025 edition of the Culture Month was launched on the 22nd of May in Chiredzi by His Excellence, President Emmerson Dambudzo Mnangagwa and ran under the theme: "Celebrating Indigenous Voices.'

From the onset of the commemorations, which are meant to celebrate cultural heritage and diversity, LSU has played a significant role in sharing research and knowledge critical in preserving the rich cultural heritage of the region.

Through various events, exhibitions and initiatives, LSU has showcased its commitment in promoting cultural awareness,

appreciation and preservation, dance group performed there. highlighting the significance of this munity and beyond.

LSU's Acting Dean for the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Dr Mbulisi Ndlovu, who also sits in the National Intangible Cultural Heritage Committee, highlighted that the celebrations help to take a pause from busy schedules and take time to reflect and celebrate our true identity as Africans.

"This month is the flagship of what we stand for. The activities and festivities that take place throughout the month constitute both tangible and intangible cultural elements of heritage. These elements should be safeguarded and protected from the threat of globalisation and social transformation," he said.

He added that when the launch of the National Culture Month was done in Binga, Matabeleland North in 2023, LSU participated and its

s the country geared up to celebration to the university com- a number of traditional elements, such as food and artifacts.

Dr. Ndlovu added that the university continues to recognise the commemorations, and is working on various future projects that are meant to preserve cultural heritage in various disciplines such as food, medicine, art and agriculture.

"The Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, together with the Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Industrialisation Directorate, are currently working on a project that seeks to grow indigenous vegetables throughout the year. Our wish is to revolutionalise those and produce them at a commercial scale. We are also in the process of partnering with Lupane Women's Centre with the view of expanding their basketry project," said Dr

Director of the African Food Revolution organisation and Lectur-

er at LSU, Mr Makhosi Mahlangu The university also showcased said that the Culture Month plays code for chefs and storage metha pivotal role in preserving culture ods, among others. within LSU and its communities.

"We should know that LSU is a university that was founded within culturally strong villages. The connection between the university and communities is critical for its motto, which says building communities through knowledge.

"The relationship between the university and the community is built on a cultural link. The holding of a cultural month allows the university to select critical development aspects using the different faculties at the university. For instance, food culture has developed so much," he said.

He also mentioned that there have been numerous events on campus which have assisted in conserving the local cultures with a notable one being the First Lady's Cook Out competition which has led to the development of various lines such as culinary dishes, dress

Mr. Mahlangu added that the university has been at the forefront in developing indigenous food systems and at the same time contributing to communities' economic activities.

"The Lupane Veggie Guys project intends to change food systems within Lupane with the vaporisation of indigenous fruits and vegetables. The 100 women chilli project has had Lupane being identified as a chilli cluster zone, which will have a huge payback to the local community," he said.

This annual celebration is a testament to the importance of cultural identity and community and the university's involvement undoubtedly enhance the festivities.

This year's commemorations' launch took place in Chiredzi,

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Chief Tshovani's area, which is predominated by ethnic Shangaans.

The event was graced by His Excellence, President Mangangwa and his Deputies Dr Constantino Chiwenga and Kembo Mohadi.

The event was also attended the Manicaland provincial leadership as well as the Minister of Sport, Arts, Recreation and Culture, Lieutenant General (Retired) Anselem Sanyatwe.

Minister Hon, Sanyatwe reiterated that arts and culture industry is "one of the key drivers of socio-economic transformation."

The launch was characterised with exhibitions of various artifacts, traditional crafts, music, dance, food and historical items that all meant to celebrate diverse cultures and heritage.

In his address as the guest of honour, His Excellence urged Zimbabweans to continue taking pride in their culture and heritage, which has defined their identities.

"Our cultural diversity is not a source of division but a wellspring of strength and unity. Under the Second Republic, we have rolled out various

programmes to encourage the use of indigenous languages within Zimbabwe," he said.

"By amplifying indigenous voices, we are honouring our past and paving the way for a more inclusive and sustainable future. Through embracing our different cultures, we tap into the potential of all communities and march towards a modern, industrialised and prosperous Zimbabwe," he added.

The Zimbabwean National Culture Month was launched in 2023 by the then minister Minister of Youth, Sport, Arts and Recreation Dr Kirsty Coventry, who urged the people to be proud of their heritage and their cultural diversity.

"Culture Month is an extension of the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development which was proclaimed by the Universal Declaration on Cultural Diversity by UNESCO in 2001. This year, Culture Month promotes a platform for building diverse cultural relationships in the country," she said then.



His Excellence, President Mangangwa and his Deputies, Constantino Chiwenga and Kembo Mohadi during the launch of the Culture Month. Pic: The Herald.

### LSU partakes in Lupane Business Expo



By Thembelani Moyo

n a bid to support local businesses through innovation and knowledge sharing, Lupane State University (LSU) recently participated in the local Business Expo which was held on the 29th and 30th of May 2025.

The Expo, which saw companies and organisations from various sectors showcasing their products and services, was welcomed by exhibitors and became a platform for networking and sharing available opportunities.

Additionally, companies had the chance to showcase innovations, market their products and make their brands visible to potential customers, investors and partners.

LSU, which is known for thriving in "building communities through knowledge", took the opportunity to share its innovations, especially in the agriculture and environment sector, with the main thrust being the desire to help companies tap into that knowledge and grow their businesses.

The institution participated alongside its key stakeholders such as Environmental Management Authority (EMA), which is working with LSU as part of the Cohesa One Health team that promotes human, animal, and environmental health.

As part of the exhibitions, LSU showcased its innovative waste management project in Ward 19, which aims to eliminate waste through value addition.

The fronting team has already set up a biogas digester at St. Luke's Hospital, and are now establishing waste collection centres at strategic locations, including the Daluka Business Centre, St. Luke's Business Centre, and the hospital.

The project plans to utilise pyrolysis to produce floor polish, paraffin, and diesel from waste. Some

waste will be shredded and sold to identified buyers from Bulawayo.

The initiative will not only reduce waste-related illnesses, but also provide a source of income for women and youth in the ward.

Additionally, the project will provide gas energy to the community through a kitchen to be constructed, and supply gas to the women's shelter at St. Luke's Hospital.

This project aligns perfectly with the One Health agenda of promoting human, animal, and environmental health.

A LSU Lecturer who represented the institution in the exhibitions, Mr. Alban Mugoti, said the Expo played an important role in bringing together various stakeholders from different industries to showcase their products, services, and innovations.

"It's a platform for networking, collaboration, and knowledge sharing, aimed at promoting economic growth and development," he noted.

Mr. Mugoti added that by participating in the Expo, LSU is in a position to benefit a lot from showcasing its innovations to developing businesses leads and partnerships.

"We're able to showcase our work and expertise, which can lead to new collaborations and partnerships. We're also able to network with other stakeholders, including potential funders and partners, which can help us secure funding for future projects," he said.

"Additionally, the expo provides a platform for us to learn from others, stay up-to-date with the latest developments in our field, and identify potential areas for future research and collaboration. Overally, participating in the expo helps us to raise our profile, build relationships, and advance our mission of promoting a One Health approach in Zimbabwe," he concluded

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#### ADMISSION INTO UNDERGRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMMES FOR THE AUGUST 2025 INTAKE

Lupane State University is inviting applications for admission to the listed Undergraduate and Postgraduate Programmes from candidates who meet the specified entry requirements. The programmes will commence in August 2025.						
FACULTY AND PROGRAMME	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS	DURATION OF STUDY & CAMPUS				
FACULTY OF AGRICULTURAL SCI	ENCES					
Bachelor of Agricultural	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics; and	4 years				
Sciences Honours Degree in Animal Science and Rangeland	At least 2 'A' Level passes in Biology and/ or Agriculture or their recognized equivalents and any of the following subjects: Chemistry,	Conventional/Block Release				
Management Management	Physics, Mathematics, Food Science and Geography; <b>OR</b> a relevant National Diploma or its equivalent.	Lupane				
Bachelor of Agricultural	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics and	4 years				
Sciences Honours Degree in	At least 2 'A' Level passes in Biology and/or Agriculture plus any of	Conventional /Block				
Crop Science	the following subjects; Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics or Geography; <b>OR</b> A relevant National Diploma or its equivalent.	Release Lupane				
Bachelor of Agricultural	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics and	4 years				
Sciences Honours Degree in	At least 2 'A' Level passes in Chemistry plus any of the following	Conventional/Block				
Soil Science	subjects: Biology, Mathematics, Physics, Geography, and Agriculture;  OR A relevant National Diploma or its equivalent.	Release Lupane				
Bachelor of Science Honours	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics and	4 years				
Degree in Irrigation	At least 2 'A' Level passes in the following subjects: Chemistry,	Conventional/Block				
Engineering	Mathematics, Physics, Geography, Agriculture and Biology; <b>OR</b> a relevant National Diploma or its equivalent.	Release Lupane				
Bachelor of Agricultural	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics; and	4 years				
Sciences Honours Degree in	At least 2 'A' level passes in any two commercial or science subjects	Conventional/Block				
Agricultural Economics	or their recognised equivalents: Mathematics, Economics,	Release				
	Agriculture, Biology, Geography, Business Studies/Management of Business, Accounts, Computer Science, Chemistry, Physics and Food	Lupane				
Docholou of Academic	Science; OR A relevant National Diploma or its equivalent.	A 1100				
Bachelor of Agricultural Sciences Honours Degree in	5'O' Level passes including English Language, Mathematics and a Science subject. Applicants must have obtained at least 2 'A' level passes in	4 years Conventional/				
Horticulture and Landscaping	Biology/Agriculture and either Mathematics, Geography, Food Science,	Block Release				
	Physics or Chemistry. A relevant Diploma from a recognised institution	Lupane				
Diploma in Agribusiness	will also be considered for Special entry.  Applicants must have passed a minimum of five (5) subjects at Ordinary	1 ½ years				
Pipionia in Agribusiness	Level including English Language, Mathematics and a Science subject at	Block Release				
Master of Science in Animal	grade c or better.  Applicants must have an Honours degree of at least class 2.2 or better in	2 years				
Breeding and Biotechnology	Agriculture or in appropriate subject areas such as Animal Science,	Block Release				
	Biological Sciences, Biotechnology and Natural Resources, or related	Lupane				
	fields from any accredited University.					
Bachelor of Science Honours	Normal Entry	4 years				
Degree in Information	5 'O' Level passes including English Language, Mathematics and Science and	Conventional				
Technology	At least 2'A' Level passes in Mathematics and any other Science or commercial subjects <b>Special Entry</b>	Lupane				
	5 'O' Level passes including English Language, Mathematics and Science and					
	a relevant National Diploma (ND) in an approved Computer Science/					
	Information Technology field or equivalent and have at least two (2) years relevant post qualification experience.					
FACULTY OF ENVIRONMENTAL A	ND LIFE SCIENCES					
Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Wildlife Resources	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics; and At least 2 'A' Level passes in any of the following subjects:	4 years Conventional /Block				
Management	Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics, Agriculture and	Release				
	Geography; OR A relevant National Diploma or its equivalent.	Lupane				
Bachelor of Science Honours	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics; and	4 years				
Degree in Forest Resources Management	At least 2 'A' Level passes in any two of the following subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics, and Geography; <b>OR</b> a relevant National Diploma or its equivalent.	Conventional/Block Release Lupane				
Bachelor of Science Honours	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics; and	4 years				
Degree in Environmental	At least 2 'A' Level passes in any of the following core subjects: Biology,	Conventional/Block				
Science	Chemistry, Mathematics, Agriculture and Geography; <b>OR</b> a relevant National Diploma or its equivalent.	Release Lupane				
Bachelor of Science Honours	5'O' Level passes including English Language, Mathematics and a Science	4 years				
Degree In Applied	subject. Applicants must have obtained at least 2 'A' level passes in either	Conventional/ Block				
Biotechnology	Biology, Agriculture, Food Science or Chemistry. Applicants with a relevant Diploma from a recognised institution will also be considered for	Release				
2b-l	Special entry.	Lupane				
Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Food Science and	5'O' Level passes including English Language, Mathematics and a Science subject; and at least 2 'A' Level passes in either Biology, Agriculture, Food	4 years Conventional/Block				
Agricultural Processing	Science or Chemistry and any of the following subjects; Mathematics,	Release				
•	Physics; Geography. <b>OR</b> A relevant Diploma in any of the following:	Lupane				
	Agriculture, Livestock Production, Crop Science, Horticulture, Animal Science or Food Science and Technology.					
Master of Science in Tropical	A BSc Honours in Conservation, Biological Sciences, Animal Science or a	1 ½ years				
Resources Ecology	related field with a degree class of 2.1 or better from a recognized	Block Release				
Marter of Science in One Health	University  Condidates should normally hold a Bachelers Degree, in Veterinany	Lupane				
Master of Science in One Health	Candidates should normally hold a Bachelors Degree in Veterinary Medicine, Medicine and Surgery, Nursing, Public Health; Animal Health,	2 years Block Release				
	Environmental Health or Biological Sciences with relevant industrial	Lupane				
	experience in vaccines and diagnostics among other relevant exposure; Agricultural scientists with experience in plants; health professionals and					
	Food scientists with qualifications from any recognised University.					
Master of Science in Food Safety and Port Health	Candidates should normally hold a Bachelors Degree in Environmental	2 years Block Release				
and Fort Heditii	Science and Health, Public Health, Food Science, Security and Disaster Management (BSDMS), Food Engineering,	Lupane				
FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND S	or any relevant equivalent degree from any recognised University					
FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND S Bachelor of Arts Honours	Normal Entry	4 years				
Degree in Language and	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and an African Language;	Conventional/Block				
Communication	and at least 2 'A' Level passes including an African Language or	Release				
	Literature in English; or Special Entry	Lupane				
	a Diploma in Education majoring in an African Language or English.					
	Mature Entry Persons who are at least 25 years of age on the first day of academic					

Master of Science in Plant Breeding	Candidates should normally hold a minimum of an upper second class Honours degree in Agriculture, Natural Resources, Agronomy, Crop Science, Horticulture or related fields, from this or another recognised institution.	2 years Block Release Lupane
Master of Science in Agronomy	Candidates should normally hold a minimum of an upper second class Honours degree in Agriculture, Natural Resources, Agronomy, Crop Science, Horticulture or related fields, from this or another recognised institution.	2 years Block Release Lupane
FACULTY OF BUILT ENVIRONMEN	NT	
Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Urban and Regional Planning	5 'O' Level passes including English Language, Geography and Mathematics; and at least 2 'A' Level passes including Geography; <b>OR</b> A Diploma preferably majoring in urban planning, urban management, social work, local authority administration, housing development, real estate and property management, physical planning, land management, environmental management, project and programme management among others. <b>Mature Entry:</b> Mature entry shall be obtained by applicants who have five (5) 'O' levels including English Language and have demonstrable work experience during the last five years before the academic year in which admission is sought, and are aged 25 years and above.	4 years Conventional/Block Release Lupane & Bulawayo
Bachelor of Commerce Honours Degree in Real Estate Management	5 'O' Level passes including English Language, Mathematics and a Science subject passed at grade C or better; and At least 2 'A' Level passes; preferably in the Commercials; OR A relevant National Diploma or a Higher National Diploma.	4 years Conventional/ Block Release Bulawayo
FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND A	PPLIED SCIENCE	
Bachelor of Engineering Honours Degree in Production Engineering	Normal Entry 5 'O' Level passes including English Language, Mathematics and Science; and At least 3 'A' Level passes, preferably in Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry; OR Special Entry 5 'O' Level passes including English Language Mathematics and Science; and a relevant National Diploma (ND) in an approved Engineering field or equivalent and have at least two (2) years relevant industrial experience.	5 years Conventional <b>Lupane</b>
Bachelor of Engineering Honours Degree in Mechatronics Engineering	Normal Entry 5 'O' Level passes including English Language, Mathematics and Science; and At least 3 'A' Level passes, in Mathematics and Physics and any other Science/Technical subject.; or Special Entry 5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics; and a relevant National Diploma (ND) in an approved Engineering field or equivalent and have at least two (2) years relevant industrial experience	5 years Conventional Lupane
Bachelor of Engineering Honours Degree in Fuels and Energy Engineering	Normal Entry 5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics At least 3 'A' Level passes, in Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry; or Special Entry 5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics and a relevant National Diploma (ND) in an approved Engineering field or equivalent and have at least two (2) years relevant industrial experience.	5 years Conventional <b>Lupane</b>
Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Business Computing	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics; and At least 2 'A' Level passes preferably in Sciences and Business subjects  OR a relevant National Diploma or its equivalent.	4 year Conventional/Block Release Lupane
Bachelor of Arts Honours	under either the Normal or the Special Entry regulations may apply for mature entry.  Normal Entry	4 years
Degree in Applied Language Studies	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Ndebele or any other African Language; and At least 2 'A' Level passes, one of which should be Ndebele/Shona; OR Special Entry a Diploma in Applied Language Studies from this institution or any other approved equivalent from a recognized institution; or A Diploma in Education majoring in Ndebele/Shona.  Mature Entry Persons who are at least 25 years of age on the first day of academic year in which admission is sought and who are not eligible for entry under either the Normal or the Special Entry regulations may apply for mature entry.	Conventional/Block Release Lupane
Bachelor of Arts Honours Degree in Film, Television and Media Studies	Normal Entry 5 'O' Level passes including English Language; and at least 2 'A' Level passes OR Special Entry A national diploma or Higher National Diploma in Journalism, Mass Communication or related areas from a recognised University or Polytechnic Mature Entry Persons who are at least 25 years of age on the first day of academic year in which admission is sought and who are not eligible for entry under either the Normal or the Special Entry regulations may apply for mature entry.	4 Years Conventional/Block Release <b>Lupane</b>
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Nambya/Sesotho/Kalanga

A national Diploma or

Higher National Diploma in Theatre and

recognised University or Polytechnic.

5 'O' Level including English Language; and At least 2 'A' Level passes **OR** 

Performance Studies, Theatre Arts, Cultural Studies, Film and Television Production, Journalism, Mass Communication or related areas from a

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\*Applicants to this programme must be first language speakers of Tonga/

a Diploma in Education majoring in an African Language.

5 'O' level passes including English language and 2 'A' level passes including an African Language.; OR A Diploma in Applied Language Studies Release

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**Bachelor of Arts Honours** 

and Media Technologies.

Degree in Theatre, Performance

Bachelor of Arts Honours Degree

Tonga/Nambya/Sesotho/Kalanga Language and Culture

Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in	Normal Entry: Candidates must have passed 5 subjects at Ordinary level, including English language with at least a C grade or better.	4 years Conventional/Block	Postgraduate Diploma in Media and Public Relations	First degree with at least a 2.2 degree classification in a relevant discipline or equivalent professional qualification recognised by this	1 year Block Release	
Anthropology	Candidates must have passed at least two subjects at Advanced level.  One of the subjects should preferably be Geography, History, Language	Release Lupane & Bulawayo	Diploma in Applied Language	University.  5 'O' Level passes including English Language.	Lupane  1 year	
	(any), Sociology, Geography, English literature and Agriculture.		Studies	- Coto, possess moradung English Lunguage.	Block Release Lupane	
Bachelor of Science Honours	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	4 years	Diploma in Court Interpreting and Translation	5 'O' Level passes including English Language; and At least 2'A' Level passes; OR a Diploma in Applied Language Studies. Experience in Court Interpreting will be an added advantage.	1 ½ years Block Release Lupane	
Degree in Sociology	including English Language with Grade C or better and at least two (2)	Conventional/Block Release <b>Lupane &amp; Bulawayo</b>	Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Natural Resources Management.	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics; and At least 2 'A' Level passes in any of the following core subjects: Geography, and any other OR relevant Diploma or its equivalent.	4 Years Conventional/Block Release Lupane	
	Qualification Framework (ZNQF). <b>Mature Entry:</b> Mature entry shall be obtained by applicants who have five (5) 'O' levels including English Language and have demonstrable work experience during the last five years before the academic year in which admission is sought, and are		Bachelor of Social Science Honours Degree in Geography and Population Studies	5 'O' Level passes including English Language, Geography and Mathematics; and at least 2 'A' Level passes, one of which must be Geography <b>OR</b> an approved Diploma related to Geography and Population Studies.	4 years Conventional/Block Release Lupane	
Bachelor of Education Honours Degree in Agriculture	Diploma in Agriculture <b>OR</b> a Diploma Education in which Agriculture is a major subject obtained from a recognized institution; or Relevant Working experience would be an added advantage. <u>NB</u> : Those without 'O' level Mathematics would be required to pass a bridging course before the beginning of the first semester.	3 years Block Release Lupane	Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Peace and Security Studies	' '	4 Years Conventional/Block Release Lupane, Bulawayo& Harare	
Bachelor of Education Degree in Geography			Postgraduate Diploma in Geographic Information	years old.  Candidates should normally hold a relevant Bachelor's degree from this or another recognised institution. Relevant fields include, Geography,	1 year Block Release	
Bachelor of Education Honours Degree in English and Communication	5 'O' Level passes including English; and A Diploma in Education with a specialisation in English.	3 years Block Release <b>Lupane</b>	Diploma In Geographic	Environmental Science, Surveying, Engineering, Ecology, Development Studies, Agriculture, Rural and Urban Planning.  Normal Entry	1½ years	
Bachelor of Education Honours Degree in Language and Communication (IsiNdebele)	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and an African Language. A Diploma in Education with a specialisation in Ndebele/Shona or equivalent. Normally, an applicant should have 2 years post qualification teaching experience.	3 years Block Release <b>Lupane</b>	Information Science (GIS ) and Remote Sensing  Bachelor of Science Honours	5 'O' Level passes including Mathematics, English Language, Geography and any Science subject. A Certificate <b>OR</b> Diploma in any field related to Geography, Environmental Science or Ecology.  Normal Entry: Candidates must have obtained 5 'O' Level passes including	Block Release Lupane 4 years	
Bachelor of Education Degree in Mathematics	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics. A Diploma in Education with a specialisation in Mathematics. Normally, an applicant should have 2 years post qualification teaching experience.		Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Development Studies	Geography, English Language and Mathematics passed with at least a grade C and two passes in 'A' Level subjects or their recognized equivalents;	Conventional/Block	
Bachelor of Education Degree in Accounting	Diploma in Education in which Accounting is a major subject. Normally applicants should have 2 years post qualification teaching experience.	3 years Block Release <b>Lupane</b>		Special Entry: A candidate must have obtained a Diploma in Development related discipline or a recognizable relevant qualification from acceptable institution in which development and/or geosciences issues were involved.		
Postgraduate Diploma in Education	5 'O' Level passes including English Language. A Degree from a recognized University reflecting subjects taught in Secondary Schools. Normally, an applicant should be employed full time as a teacher at an approved Secondary School throughout the duration of the programme.	1 year Block Release <b>Lupane</b>		Mature Entry: A candidate must have 25years of age with relevant working experience and have passed 5 'O' level subjects including Geography, English Language and Mathematics passed with at least a grade C. Must also have relevant experience for at least two years. May be required to pass a written/ oral entrance examination set by the		
Post Graduate Diploma in Tertiary and Higher Education	To be admitted to this programme a prospective learner should normally have a Master's Degree from a recognized University. <b>OR</b> Have, a first degree or Higher National Diploma and be a lecturer in Higher and Tertiary Education institutions.	1 ½ years Block Release Lupane & Bulawayo		University.		
			Bachelor of Commerce		4 years	
Master of Education in Curriculum Studies	To be admitted to this programme a prospective student should normally have upper second class degree in education, or related disciplines, from this or another recognised university. <b>OR</b> A degree and a Postgraduate Diploma in Education/Graduate Diploma in Education.	1 ½ years Block Release Lupane & Bulawayo	Honours Degree in Banking & Finance	A National Diploma or a Higher National Diploma in Banking and Finance	The state of the s	
Master of Science Education in Animal Science	A degree and a Postgraduate Diploma in Education with a specialisation in Agriculture. OR Graduate Diploma in Education with a specialisation in Agriculture from an accredited and recognised institution.	1 ½ years Block Release Lupane & Bulawayo	Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Human Resource Management	and At least 2 'A' Level passes; <b>OR</b>	4 years Conventional/ Block Release	
Master of Science Degree in Climate Change and Sustainable Development	Applicants must hold a good relevant Degree from this or another recognised University. <b>OR</b> Any first Degree plus a relevant Postgraduate Diploma from this or another recognised University.	1 ½ years Block Release Bulawayo & Harare	Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Industrial Psychology	Management.  5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics passed at grade C or better; and At least 2 'A' Level passes; <b>OR</b> A National Diploma or Higher National Diploma in Industrial Psychology.	Bulawayo 4 years Conventional/Block Release	
Master of Science Degree in Development Studies	Candidates should normally have an Upper Second Class in a relevant Honours Degree from this or another recognized University; OR Any first degree plus a Postgraduate Diploma in Development Studies from this or another recognized University.	1 ½ years Block Release Bulawayo	Bachelor of Commerce Honours Degree in Entrepreneurship and	5 'O' Level passes including English Language and Mathematics passed at grade C or better <b>OR</b> relevant National Diploma. <b>Normal Entry</b> : At least 2 'A' Level passes;	4 years Conventional/ Block Release Bulawayo	
Master of Social Science in Monitoring and Evaluation	Candidates should normally hold an Upper Second class Honours degree in Monitoring and Evaluation from this or another recognised institution; OR any first degree plus a Postgraduate Diploma in Monitoring and Evaluation from a recognised university.	1 ½ years Block Release Bulawayo & Harare	Business Management	Special Entry: A relevant National Diploma or Higher National Diploma plus at least 3 years' relevant experience;  Mature Entry: At least 23 years for female applicants and 25 years for male applicants, relevant work experience, and have completed full-time		
Bachelor of Science (Special Honours) Degree in Urban Management Studies.	A good first degree in a relevant field such as Geography, Economics, Sociology, Architecture or other related fields. Demonstrable experience or interest in urban management is desirable.	1 Year Block Release Bulawayo	Dealest Co.	school or college education at least five years before the start of the academic year.	4.1	
Master of Science in Public Policy and Development Management Bachelor of Science (Special	Candidates should normally hold an Upper Second class Honours degree in Social Sciences or cognate disciplines from this or another recognised		Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Supply Chain Management	Science subject passed at grade C or better; At least 2 'A' Level passes, preferably in Management of Business,	4 years Conventional/ Block Release Bulawayo	
Honours) Degree in Monitoring and Evaluation	relevant to Monitoring and Evaluation.	Block Release Bulawayo& Harare	Bachelor of Commerce	Management, Business Management or equivalent.	4 years	
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# Youth Power Action: Empowering the next generation of human rights advocates

By Leslie Mpofu

n a world where human rights are increasingly under threat, the call for youth advocates is, yet again, an issue of importance.

In that aspect, it is safe to say that Lupane State University (LSU), is not short of such vibrant young people, ready to light the candle and advocate for all human rights.

Recently, seven students from LSU took part in a Youth Power Action (YPA) training programme organised by Amnesty International Zimbabwe, an organisation that promotes human rights, investigates human rights violations and makes campaigns for change.

Under the training, LSU students

and other youth from all walks of life were equipped with the tools and knowledge necessary to become effective human rights defenders

Held from the 5th to the 10th of May this year, on the high peaks of BlueHills Camp, just outside Bulawayo, the YPA training attracted a diverse group of participants from various backgrounds.

From young journalists to community organisers, these young individuals shared a common goal: To make a difference in their communities and beyond.

The heart of the Youth Power Action training comprised of interactive workshops focusing on critical themes such as the history of human rights and where the world is currently on human rights, ad-

vocacy strategies and community engagements.

Participants learned about the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and explored several case studies that focused on human rights and advocacy campaigns.

Digital advocacy in the modern age was also a crucial issue to pick on.

In today's digital landscape, social media has been seen as an effective tool in advocacy.

The training therefore showcased ways through which the young advocates could influence policy makers through digital spaces and also stressed out the dangers lurking within the digital space, hence 'a protective measures' sensitisation was also put into play.

Beyond skill building, the training fostered a sense of community among participants.

Group discussions and team building exercises encouraged collaboration and connection.

Every individual had something the next person could need at present and for future endeavors.

As the training drew to a close, bonds created could never be severed.

One young advocate shared: "I came here feeling unwilling to belong, but now I can safely say that I am leaving with a network of amazing people and skills I need to take action."

The Youth Power Action training was not just an educational experience, it was the podium young activists needed to ready themselves

as they take on the challenges of the world.

For LSU students, it was a blessing, especially for the leaders of the Amnesty International Zimbabwe- Lupane State University Chapter.

With new skills, fresh ideas and a supportive network, they are ready to lead the charge for human rights for students and communities likewise.

Amnesty International's commitment to empowering young people signals a hopeful future.

These new leaders carry the ideals of justice, equality and dignity for all and Peter Benenson, the founder of Amnesty International could not have said it better when he noted: "It is better to light a candle, than curse the darkness".



Dean of Students, Dr. H Ncube (4th from right), Miss Aura Zimbabwe, Rose Musekiwa (5th from right), Members of Amnesty International LSU Chapter and other influencial students during the celebrations.

# Africa Day: LSU celebrates cultural diversity with vibrant performances

# The event also provided a platform for students to showcase their talents, creativity and traditions, which can help break down stereotypes and build bridges between different cultures.

By Michelle Moyo

In the spirit of Africa Day celebrations, Lupane State University (LSU) hosted a spectacular cultural event, showcasing the talents of its students through captivating performances, including poems, choir renditions and dramatic skits, all while celebrating the beauty of diverse languages and traditions.

The event also featured the crowning of Miss Aura Zimbabwe, adorned in stunning traditional attire, highlighting the richness of Zimbabwe's cultural heritage.

Celebrated on May 25th, Africa Day commemorates the founding of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) in 1963.

It is a day to promote African unity, cultural diversity and socio-economic development.

In Zimbabwe, Africa Day is an opportunity to showcase the country's rich cultural heritage, traditions, and customs.

LSU's cultural event was a fitting tribute to this celebration, highlighting the importance of cultural diversity and exchange.

A final year student at LSU Rose Musekiwa, who was crowned Miss Aura Zimbabwe said that it was an absolute honor to be part of the Cultural Month celebration at the institution.

"As a student, it was amazing to see our rich cultural heritage come alive through music, dance and art. As Miss Aura Zimbabwe, I felt proud to share our unique traditions with the university community. This event reminded me of the importance of preserving and promoting our cultural identity, offered by different ethnic groups and I'm grateful to have been a part of it, " she said.

She added that the events like this Cultural Month celebration are incredibly valuable.

"They bring students together, foster cross-cultural understanding and promote appreciation for our diverse heritage. Embracing

our cultural differences, build a more inclusive and harmonious community. This event also provided a platform for students to showcase their talents, creativity and traditions, which can help break down stereotypes and build bridges between different cultures. Overally, it's a wonderful way to celebrate Africa Day and promote unity in diversity," added Miss Musekiwa.

One of the organisers of the celebrations, Miss Teseletso Matjaka, a final year student, highlighted that organising the cultural event at LSU came as a way of reminding themselves of the diversity community.

"We are students, therefore organising the event was pushed by who we are and a reminder not to forget where we are coming from and where we are heading as the tomorrow's elders. We thank our leaders for appointing us to making this even a success," she said.

Students got the opportunity to express and represent their different backgrounds and ethnic groups and it revived the pride in each one of the students.

"This event is done annually and we hope it will continue honoring different cultures and traditions and also promote students to understand each other despite their backgrounds," said Miss Matjaka.



Ixhiba Lamantombazanewas founded by Talent Moyo, a former LSU student.

Images showing proceeding during the celebrations.

# Africa Day Celebrations: Ixhiba Lamantombazane reaches out to the girl child

By Buhlebenkosi Makalisa

n celebrating the Africa Day, Ixhiba Lamantombazane hosted a Session 2 event, where young girls had the opportunity to engage in open and honest conversations with their elders in Lupane.

The girls asked questions about everything they wanted to know better, from cultural practices and traditions to life skills and personal development.

The elderly women, "Aunties" provided guidance, sharing their experiences and offering valuable

The event was a resounding success, with the young girls benefiting from the intergenerational exchange

By providing a platform for young girls to learn from their elders, the programme is helping to preserve cultural heritage and promote social cohesion.

As Ixhiba Lamantombazane continues to grow and evolve, it is clear that this initiative has the potential to make a lasting impact on the lives of young girls in Lupane.

By empowering them with knowledge, skills and confidence, the programme is helping to shape a brighter future for these young women.

Ixhiba Lamantombazane is a shining example of community-led initiatives that are making a positive difference in the lives of young people.

The initiative was founded by Talent Moyo, a former LSU student, in a bid to empower and nurture the young girls of Lupane,

It aims to bridge the gap between young girls and their elder counterparts, providing a platform for intergenerational learning and growth.

The initiative is designed to bring young girls closer to their aunties,

As Ixhiba Lamantombazane congrandmothers, and other elderly our young girls, helping them to become the best version of them-

These respected elders will share their wisdom, experiences, and values with the young girls, teaching them about the qualities that define a good woman.

The programme's objective is to empower young girls with the knowledge, skills, and confidence needed to become responsible, respectful and compassionate women

By learning from their elders, the girls will gain a deeper understanding of their cultural heritage and the importance of traditional values.

Talent Moyo, expressed her passion for empowering young girls in Lupane.

"I have founded this club to help each other as young girls to grow up well, ask and learn a lot of things from our elders.

"This will help nurture and guide

our young girls, helping them to become the best version of themselves and this will help preserve cultural heritage and promoting social cohesion," she said.

Talent emphasised that the aim of Ixhiba Lamantombazane is also to equip young girls with practical skills and business ideas; teaching them how to work with their hands, to be self-sufficient and independent.

This is done to empower them to have a better life and to become active contributors to their communities

The programme aims to empower young people and engage them in different activities such as modeling, poetry, drama and other creative pursuits.

These activities are designed to boost their confidence, self-esteem, and creativity, helping them to become more outgoing and articulate individuals.

Ixhiba Lamantombazane is also a free and safe space where girls can interact, feel free to ask questions and express themselves without fear of judgment.

This provides a unique opportunity for young girls to build meaningful relationships with their elders and peers, fostering a sense of community and belonging.

One of the primary motivations behind Ixhiba Lamantombazane is to provide guidance and support to young people who lack parental care and guidance.

Moyo noted that many young girls are growing up without parents or guardians to provide them with direction and mentorship.

Ixhiba Lamantombazane aims to fill this gap by providing a supportive community of elders and peers who can offer guidance, wisdom and encouragement.

# A Call to Action: LSU, stakeholders unite to fight veld fires



Organised by the Environmental Management Agency (EMA), the launch was attended by representatives from Lupane, Hwange, Binga, Bubi, and Umguza districts as well as Zimparks, Agritex and Forest ry Commission.

### By Buhlebenkosi Makalisa

atabeleland North relevant partners recently came together to launch the 2025 Provincial Fire programme meant to raise awareness against veld fires.

Organised by the Environmental Management Agency (EMA), the launch was attended by representatives from Lupane, Hwange, Binga, Bubi, and Umguza districts as well as Zimparks, Agritex and Forestry Commission.

The programme is running under the theme: "Prevent Veld Fires, Protect Our Environment."

During the launch it was revealed that this year, Matabeleland North Province is at high risk of veld fires due to normal rainfall received, which resulted in increased biomass.

The province is said to be at 43% high risk and 27% medium risk. This alarming situation necessitated a coordinated effort to prevent and mitigate the impact of veld fires.

Mr. N. Mathobela, Provincial Manager for Matabeleland North, presented a comprehensive report on the province's fire status. He emphasised the fire season starts on July 31st and ends on October 31st, as outlined in the Statutory Instrument 7 of 2007 Environmental Management (Environmental Impact Assessment and Ecosystems Protection) Regulation.

"This critical period requires heightened vigilance and proactive measures to prevent veld fires," he said.

Mathobela highlighted a significant decrease in area burnt in 2024, "from 221,536.71 hectares in 2023 to 47,120 hectares, representing a 78% decrease".

However, they revealed that Binga district experienced an increase in area burnt, from "6,234.42 hectares to 14,124.79 hectares".

In contrast, they stated that Hwange district recorded a decrease from "90,746 hectares in 2023 to 15,945.71 hectares,

which is a remarkable 82% decrease. Nkayi and Tsholotsho districts experienced 0% area loss".

The stakeholders identified human activities leading to increase in veldfires. They emphasised the need for awareness campaigns involving the community, academic institutions traditional leaders, and other stakeholders to prevent veld fires.

The importance of fire guards, firebreaks, and community involvement in fire prevention efforts was also highlighted.

Mathobela attributed the success stories of 2024 to the collaborative efforts of EMA, traditional leaders, ZRP Police, and other stakeholders. He highlighted the importance of scaled-up engagements, working together, and collaboration to reduce areas burnt. The stakeholders proposed a way forward, which included the launch of district campaigns, development of fire management plans, weekly updates on veld fire incidents, and engaging media in awareness campaigns.

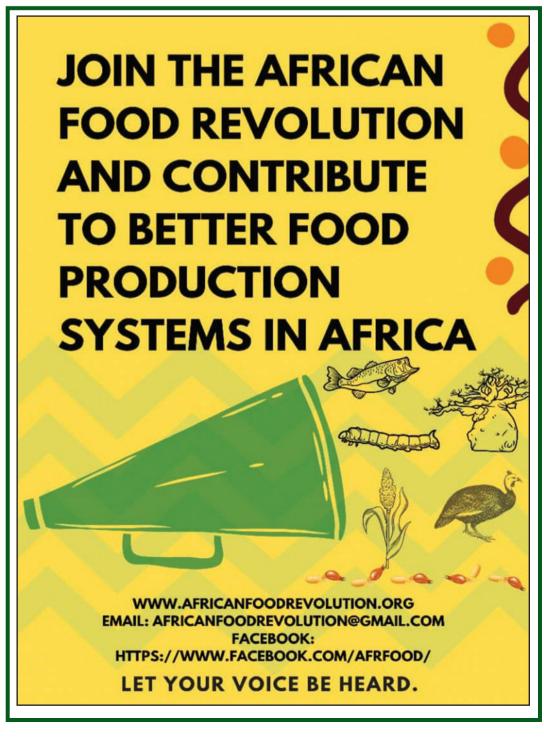
They stated that by 6 June, each district should have launched its own campaign to prevent veld fires. Additionally, each district must have a comprehensive fire management plan.

The stakeholders also emphasised the need for effective emergency response plans, including firefighting equipment and personnel training.

They highlighted the importance of knowing what to do in case of a veld fire, including reporting incidents promptly, evacuating the area, and assisting fire-fighting efforts. Stakeholders will provide weekly updates on veld fire incidents in their respective districts. This will enable timely intervention, coordination, and response to veld fire incidents.

The 2025 Provincial Fire launch marked a crucial step towards addressing the complex issue of veld fires in Matabeleland North.

By working together, stakeholders will mitigate the risk of veld fires and protect the environment.



## LSU beauty pageant promises fireworks

he Lupane State University Students Executive Council is set to host the highly anticipated Mr and Miss LSU 2025 pageantry.

The event promises to be a night of glamour, talent, and beauty as students gather to witness the crowning of the new king and queen of the university.

The pageant will take place at the LSU main campus, starting at 18:00hrs and running till late.

The event is expected to draw a large crowd of students, faculty, and staff, all eager to see who will be crowned Mr and Miss LSU 2025.

The pageant will feature a series of chal-

lenges and performances, showcasing the talents and charisma of the contestants. It's going to be a night to remember, with fun, excitement, and entertainment guaranteed.

The day's hosts, Smally and Smallesst, are expected to bring their unique energy and charm to the event, ensuring that the audience is thoroughly entertained throughout

the night.

With the pageant just around the corner, students are buzzing with excitement, speculating on who will take home the coveted titles.

Don't miss out on the fun come and support your favorite contestants at the LSU main campus on the day of the event.



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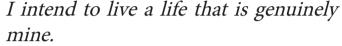




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### 'Theatre invaluable in media studies'

By Reina Tavengwa.

The theatre programme at Lupane State University (LSU) has become a cornerstone of student life, offering a unique avenue for personal growth and professional development.

As the fourth-year students prepare for their final performances, insights from key participants reveal how theatre has shaped their educational journeys and future aspirations.

Theatre activities at LSU have evolved into a vibrant platform where students can explore their creativity, build confidence, and develop essential life skills.

The programme not only focuses on acting but also encompasses various aspects of production, including stage management, scriptwriting, and set design. This holistic approach helps students to understand the intricacies of theatrical performance while fostering teamwork and collab-

Teseletso Matjaka, a fourthyear student majoring in Media Studies, expressed how theatre has significantly impacted her life.

"Participating in theatre has been transformative for me. It has boosted my confidence and improved my public speaking skills," she stated.

Teseletso recalled her first performance, where she overcame stage fright and learned the importance of self-expression.

"The experience taught me that it's okay to be vulnerable and share my story with others," she added.

To provide a broader perspective, Mr. Innocent Mwapangira, a media lecturer at LSU, shared his views on the significance of the-



LSU theatre team during the Shangano Arts Festival in Hwange

"Theatre is an invaluable educational tool that encourages critical thinking, creativity, and empathy," he explained.

Mr. Mwapangira has been instrumental in mentoring students through their theatrical journeys.

"I have seen students grow from shy individuals into confident performers ready to face the world," he added.

He highlighted that many grad-

uates credit their theatre experiences with enhancing their career

"Employers often look for candidates who can communicate effectively and work well in teams. The skills developed through theatre are highly relevant in any profession," Mr. Mwapangira not-

As the fourth-year students approach graduation, the skills and experiences gained from the theatre program will undoubtedly shape their futures. The impact of theatre at Lupane State University extends far beyond the stage. It fosters a sense of community, enhances personal growth, and equips students with essential life skills that will serve them well in their future endeavors.

The theatre activities at Lupane State University provide more than just an artistic outlet; they prepare students for life beyond

academia.

With the guidance of dedicated educators like Mr. Mwapangira and the passion of students like Teseletso, the programme continues to thrive, shaping confident and capable individuals ready to take on the world. As they step into their futures, the lessons learned through theatre will remain a vital part of their personal and professional identities.





# JSC launches IECMS at LSU Main Campus

Sanenisiwe Andile B Siwela

he Judicial Services Commission (JSC) recently launched the Integrated Electronic Case Management System (IECMS) at the Lupane State University (LSU) campus, marking a significant transformation in the delivery of justice in Zimbabwe.

This innovative platform aims to make legal processes more accessible and efficient for all

Speaking during the launch Mr. Jongwe from JSC said the IECMS' main objective is to ease the processes at the Magistatres' courts dotted around the country

"This system will facilitate electronic filing of cases, virtual hearings, and real-time case status checks, streamlining the judicial process significantly,"

he said

One of the most notable changes is the shift to electronic filing, which eliminates the need for physical submissions.

Starting July 1, 2025, the Magistrates Courts will no longer accept physical complaints, making e-filing the sole method for lodging legal documents.

Mr. Jongwe emphasised: "This move will enhance efficiency and reduce the backlog of cases."

To ensure a smooth transition, Jongwe assured attendees that "user manuals have been distributed to guide all stakeholders through the new processes."

In addition to filing cases, the IECMS allows users to conduct hearings virtually.

This feature is particularly beneficial for individuals unable to travel to court due to distance or other constraints.

Jongwe noted: "By leveraging technology, we aim to provide a more inclusive environment for all Zimbabweans seeking justice."

Accessing the IECMS requires basic technological tools. Users need a laptop, computer, or smartphone, along with reliable internet connectivity and a valid email address.

"This requirement empowers individuals to lodge their legal documents from the comfort of their homes or offices," Jongwe explained.

The platform not only simplifies the filing and hearing processes but also allows for online payments.

This integration ensures that users can complete all necessary transactions without the need for physical visits to court.

"Convenience is key, and we are committed to making the

process as seamless as possible," Jongwe added.

He emphasised the importance of the IECMS as a unifying platform that connects various institutions within the justice delivery sector.

"This integration will foster collaboration and communication among stakeholders, ultimately improving the efficiency of the entire judicial system," he

As Zimbabwe strides towards a more digitally inclusive future, the IECMS represents a pivotal step in making justice accessible to all.

With these advancements, the hope is that the IECMS will pave the way for a more transparent and efficient judicial system, setting a precedent for future reforms in the country's legal landscape.

### LSU Radio team joins JSC in launching IECMS in Lupane

#### By Buhlebenkosi Makalisa

n a groundbreaking move aimed at revolutionising the justice delivery system, the Judiciary Service Commissio (JSC) launched Phase 4 of the Integrated Electronic Case Management System (IECMS) at Lupane Magistrate Courts.

The IECMS is a comprehensive online platform designed to streamline case management, reduce delays, and increase the speed of justice delivery.

This significant development is poised to transform the way justice is administered in Zimbabwe, making it more accessible, efficient, and transparent.

Barbara Phiri, Resident Magistrate at Lupane Court, and Blessing Shumba, Magistrate at Lupane Magistrate Court, were joined by LSU Campus Radio team to spearhead the event, raising awareness about the benefits of registering with the IECMS.

They elaborated that by registering with the system, individuals can launch cases online, track progress, and receive updates, eliminating the need for lengthy travels to court.

During the radio interview, they emphasised the importance of registering with the IECMS, highlighting its benefits and how it can improve access to justice.

They also addressed concerns and questions from listeners, providing clarity on the registration process and the overall functionality of the system.

The launch provided a platform for stakeholders to engage with the system, raise awareness about its benefits, and provide feedback on its implementation.

The launch of Phase 4 of the IECMS in Matebeleland North Courts is a significant development in the Judiciary Service Commission's efforts to improve access to justice

This innovative system is a significant step forward in improving access to justice, particularly for marginalised communities and individuals living in remote areas.

To register with the IECMS individuals require a valid email address, phone number, and national identification number.

Once registered, users can access the system to launch cases, track progress, and receive notifications.

The registration process is straightforward and user-friendly, ensuring that individuals with limited technological expertise can easily navigate the system.

By providing a clear and transparent process, the IECMS empowers individuals to take control of their cases, reducing reliance on intermediaries and minimising the risk of corruption.

The IECMS seeks to achieve several key objectives, including improving access to justice, enhancing efficiency, and increasing transparency.

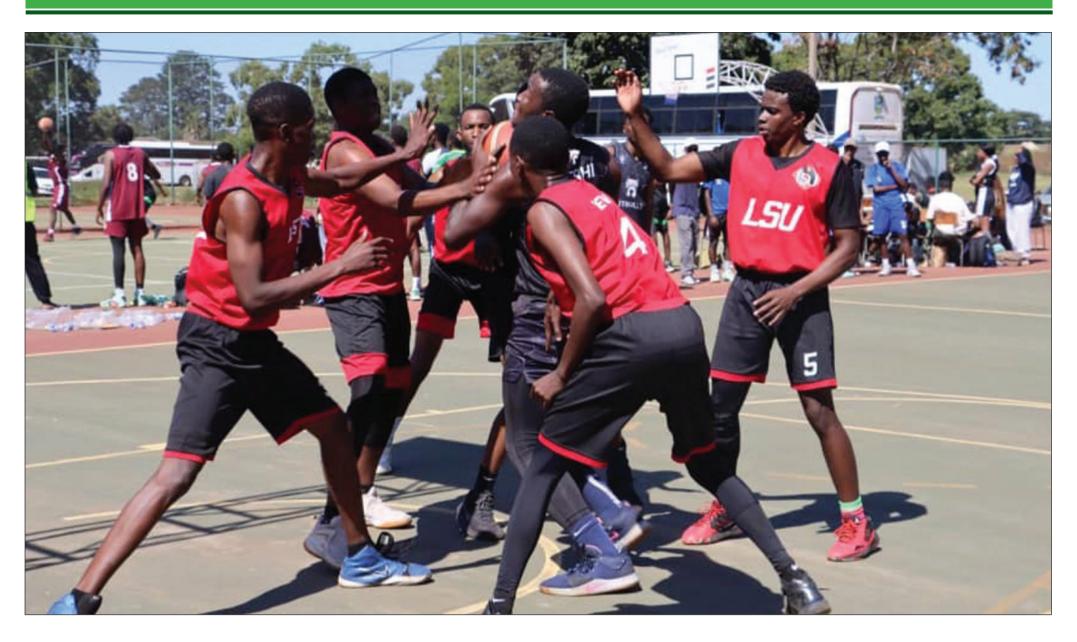
By allowing individuals to launch cases online, the IECMS reduces the need for physical court appearances, making justice more accessible to marginalised communities and individuals living in remote areas.

The system also streamlines case management, reducing delays and increasing the speed of justice delivery.

Furthermore, the IECMS provides a clear and transparent process, enabling users to track case progress and receive updates, thereby increasing transparency and accountability in the justice delivery system.

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### ZUSA Games: LSU in thrilling performance in Harare

By Sibusisiwe Lunga

ollowing successful performances in the Zimbabwe Universities Sports Association (ZUSA) Cluster 1 games, Lupane State University athletes continued to take part in Cluster 2 matches which had various disciplines such as volleyball, basketball and handball, among others.

The event was hosted at several venues including the University of Zimbabwe and Belvedere Teachers' College from 9 May-11 May.

Participants witnessed thrilling performances from the LSU athletes and other talented students from other universities.

In handball, the men's teams battled it out in the group stage, while the women's teams reached the semi-finals, demonstrating their impressive skills and teamwork.

The basketball courts were abuzz with excitement as both men's and women's teams competed in the group stage, with thrilling matches that kept spectators on the edge of their seats.

Volleyball was also a highlight, with men's and women's teams clashing in the group stage and showcasing their spiking and blocking skills.

On the tennis courts at Belvedere Teachers' College, players displayed their agility and precision, competing fiercely in the group stage.

Meanwhile, the rugby pitches saw the men's teams reach the quarterfinals, while the women's teams secured a bronze medal, demonstrating their strength and determination.

In April this year, LSU students participated in the ZUSA Cluster 1 games, with the soccer men's team, affectionately known as the Rondo team, finishing in an impressive fourth position out of 16 teams.

Shamaine Ndlovu and Yolanda Decilane represented LSU in the Paralympic category.

Shamaine, classified as T46, delivered an outstanding performance throughout the competition and got silver medals in both the shot put and discus events.

She also clinched the gold medal in the 100-meter race, solidifying her status as a leading competitor in her category.

Yolanda, competing in the T56 classifica-

tion, made her mark with a commendable bronze medal in the 100-meter race.

The ZUSA games provide a valuable platform for university students to develop their sporting talents, promote teamwork, and build camaraderie. The event celebrates the spirit of sportsmanship and friendly competition among Zimbabwe's universities, and it's clear that the participants are passionate about their sports.

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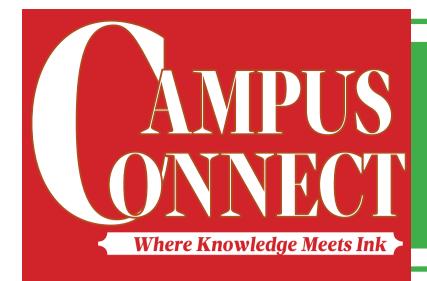
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Staff gear up for 2025 Chancellor's Games

A highlight of this year's games will be the inclusion of cultural dance performances, showcasing the rich heritage of the participating universities.

By Blessing Khanye

s the excitement builds up for the annual Chancellor's Games, staff members from Lupane State University (LSU) are fully prepared to showcase their talents at Chinhoyi University of Technology from 6 July to 13 July

This year's event promises a vibrant display of athletic prowess and camaraderie among universities across the

The Chancellor's Games have become a beloved tradition, taking place at this time of year, and LSU staff members are eager to represent their institution.

Participants will compete in a wide array of sporting disciplines including athletics, basketball, chess, football, netball, table tennis, volleyball, darts, pool, tug of war, and traditional games like nhondo, tsoro, and draughts.

A highlight of this year's games will be the inclusion of cultural dance performances, showcasing the rich heritage of the participating universities.

LSU Sports Association Chairperson, Mr. Bekithemba Ndlovu, expressed his enthusiasm for this year's participation.

"We are thrilled that even our academic staff will be joining in the festivities. This inclusion reflects our commitment to improving our sports department and fostering a spirit of unity among staff and students," he stated during a recent interview.

In another significant development for the university's sports initiatives, the administration has introduced a Sports and Wellness Day, aiming to promote physical health and well-being among staff and students.

This initiative has received support from external stakeholders, including Nyaradzo, First Mutual, Agribank, and Calm, who have generously donated resources to enhance the university's athletics programmes.

The support from these organisations not only boosts morale but also emphasises the importance of physical activity in academic settings.

"We believe in the holistic development of our staff and students," said Mr. Ndlovu. "Sports play a crucial role in building teamwork, resilience, and a sense of community," he added.

As the games approach, the Lupane State University community is rallying behind their staff, fostering an atmosphere of enthusiasm

With rigorous training sessions underway and a focus on teamwork, the university is poised to make a significant impact during this year's Chancellor's Games.

