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WORKING TOGETHER TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

- Government calls upon communities to work with the police to ensure that perpetrators of violence are apprehended and prosecuted. Rapists have no place in our society. We urge communities not to shelter criminals in their midst.
- According to a new legal provision that came into effect on 31 July 2022, it is now a crime not to report to authorities when we have knowledge, reasonable belief or suspicion that a sexual offence has been committed against a vulnerable person.
- The new law is part of the three laws that government signed earlier this year to strengthen the fight against Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and offer greater support and protection to survivors.
- Whether as individuals, organisations, businesses or employers, we must be part of the national effort to fight GBV, by volunteering at a shelter, supporting community policing forums or joining awareness campaigns in our schools.
- We must work together to address the drivers of gender-based violence in our communities, including patriarchal attitudes and practices.
- Citizens are reminded that all tip-offs received by the SAPS Crime Stop Contact Centre are treated with confidentiality. To report any crime, call **086 00 10111** or report via the

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