

PUISANO SPORTS

SAFA welcomes return to training and play protocol endorsement

24 June 2020 – The South African Football Association (SAFA) welcomes the announcement by the Minister of Sport endorsing the SAFA Joint Liaison Committee (JLC)'s return to training and return to play protocol. The green light from the Minister means the work on the implementation of the document can start. SAFA has appointed Chief Medical Officer, Dr Thulani Ngwenya as the Compliance

Officer to oversee the appropriate implementation of the whole process and that everything on the protocol document is adhered to. The initial part of the protocol entails adequate compliance with the return to training part. Once the clubs have fulfilled all the requirements, such as testing of players, support and technical staff, then focus on return to play kicks in. The return

to training also requires sanitising of the training venues, appointment of club compliance officers who will work with Dr Ngwenya and the appointment of a consulting doctor for each club, among other things. Once the return to training meets all the requirements and the biological safe environment has been identified as

stipulated in the protocol, the second part of the return to play kicks in. The second part of the protocol document, which is the return to play, talks of the biological safe environment, a place that is not a hotspot, has capacity for accommodation for all teams, training and playing venues among other things, to be identified.

Bra Mike, robala ka kgotso ya Modimo



“Robala ka khotso ya Modimo Bra Mike. Your good life was enough to uplift many.”

These were there words of PSL Chairman, Dr Irvin Khoza, as he paid tribute to fallen Free State Stars Chairman, Mike Mokoena, at his funeral last Friday in Bethlehem, Free State. He continued: “Your selflessness made you create an institution that nurtured talent and provided livelihoods “It is on your shoulders that we anchored a league that is a pride of Africa and Africans to the world. “The true Member that you were, you always understood that we are building something much bigger than us. “You maintained always that it is easy to destroy or disrupt. That it requires a lot to build and sustain. Your impeccable value system helped us succeed. “That unless we sustained and jealously defended what we

built it would be swept by the wayside – even hijacked. “Puny as our business is, where we pay to develop and sustain only for others to come harvest without investing, you until death stayed dutifully firm and unwavering. “The world over knows there are Stars in a remote Province of South Africa called the Free State because of your daring nature – especially when naysayers said, “it did not make sense or it won't work”. “Thanks to you, we are able to show the nation what it means to be a Member. Thank you for your selfless service Mokoena. “So long my dear friend. I thank God for the privilege he gave me to serve with you as Members Bra Mike.”

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