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### TEAMS INVITED TO TAKE PART IN U.23 TOURNAMENT

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MANDLA MAMBA, the former Nketoana mayor, invited all the u.23 teams in the Nketoane municipal area to take part in the annual Madoda Mamba Sports Tournament.

The registration is free and there are lots of prizes to be won. The teams are encouraged to register before 16 December. Participation is based on a first come, first served principle. The two-day tournament will take place at the Lindley Stadium from 17 December with the final expected to take place the following day.

Mamba said the tournament was aimed at encouraging the upcoming sports stars to showcase their talent and added that it had been running for the past three years. "After I realised that the standard of soccer was deteriorating in our area, I decided to start the tournament and in the past years it has been phenomenal. "In the past years we used to have ten teams in the competition, but we expect that number to increase this year," he said.

Before the games kick off on the day, the athletes will have a chance to contest for a first prize in a half-marathon.

"Our aim is to see some of the players who will be participating in the tournament getting the contract from the team in the league. There will be scouts of different teams from the Absa Premier League, National First Division and Vodacom League," he said.

Mamba said the tournament had been open in the past three years, but they decided to make it for u.23 players after having realised that the young players were disadvantaged when playing against the veterans.

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