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**URGENT !!!**

**UPDATE NO.31**  
**ON HUNGER STRIKE**

**STATISTICS AS AT 9 JUNE 1991**

**Political Prisoners :**

**Rooigrond Prison**

(started 15th June -24 days)

18

**Odi Prison**

(resumed 6th July - 4 days)

5

**TOTAL**

**23**

Note : These statistics are correct at the time of publication to the best of our knowledge.

23 Bophuthatswana hunger strikers in hospital.

**COMMENT ON STATISTICS**

**Odi Prison**

The remaining 4 hunger strikers in Odi prison have been transferred to Odi hospital. This brings the total of hunger strikers in hospital to 23.



## HEALTH CONDITIONS

### Odi Hospital

The 18 prisoners in Odi hospital enter their 24th day of hunger strike today. They are all suffering severe weight loss of up to 22 kgs and complain of dizziness, stomach cramps and loss of concentration. We received a report on the health conditions of the following 9 hunger strikers:

Johannes Simelane: Johannes is confined to bed and can only move around in a wheel chair. His legs are numb and he has complained of feeling dizzy and having difficulty concentrating and hearing. Johannes lost 22 kgs and now weighs 48 kgs.

Johannes Bushy Molefe: He is suffering from severe kidney and back pain. He is also having problems with his eyesight and has developed diarrhoea. Johannes complains of chest pain, insomnia and of having difficulty talking.

David Mosebi: He has backache and kidney pain and cannot see properly. David (24) has lost 18 kgs.

Thapelo Manyeneng: He complains of stomach problems including diarrhoea and stomach cramps. He also suffers from nervous problems and backache. Thapelo is also 24 years old.

Daniel Moshane: He has an extremely low blood pressure (80/50), and had to be transferred to Ga Rankuwa hospital because Odi hospital does not have the facilities to treat his problem.

Augustine Twaibile: Augustine has lost 10 kgs and is experiencing heart palpitations and an irregular pulse. He also complains of constant head and backache.

Zacharia Seabi: He has lost 13 kgs and is having difficulties sleeping and concentrating.

Patrick Mongake: Patrick has problems with concentration and dizziness. His blood pressure is fluctuating and he has lost 17 kgs.

Frans Mokomane: He is experiencing difficulty with sleeping and occasional numbness in his legs. Frans, who was previously on hunger strike for 23 days in May, complains also of sore eyes and failing concentration.



Below is a list of prisoners on hunger strike.

**Odi Hospital**

William Modisactsile Metswamere

25 years

David B. Mosebi

23/09/67 (23)

Thapelo Maano Manyeneng

16/02/67 (24)

Zacharia Raboikanyo Seabi

10/10/63 (28)

Johannes P. Simelane

07/01/64 (33)

Solomon G. Matshaba

20/06/61 (30)

Frans Mokomane

Abram Seleke

Patrick Lesane

Laurence Mahila

Johannes Molefe

Patrick Mongake

Moses Tswaile

Vincent Sekhu

Augustine Twaibile

Gideon Keepilwe

Daniel Moshane

David Molekeng

Patrick Cebisa

**Odi Prison**

Christian Skhunyane Nhlapo

26 years

Michael Doctor Ranko

25 years

Horatio Majake

Davies Matsego