

MEDIA RELEASE PSA congratulates Mpumalanga's Bajabulise Thela on being crowned Miss Universe South Africa 2026

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The Public Servants Association (PSA) congratulates Miss Bajabulise Thela of KaNyamazane, Mpumalanga, on her crowning as Miss Universe South Africa 2026 during the national pageant held in Pretoria on Saturday, 18 July 2026.

This remarkable achievement is a proud moment for KaNyamazane, the people of Mpumalanga, and South Africa. Miss Thela's success reflects the immense talent, determination, resilience, and leadership that continue to emerge from communities. The PSA is particularly proud to celebrate a young woman whose journey inspires countless young people, especially young women in Mpumalanga, demonstrating that dedication, hard work, and a commitment to uplifting others can open doors to national and international opportunities.

As she prepares to represent South Africa on the global stage at the 75th Miss Universe competition, the PSA wishes Miss Thela success. The PSA is confident that she will represent the Country with distinction, grace, and dignity whilst showcasing the rich heritage and spirit of the people of South Africa.

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