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MEC FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT REACTS WITH SHOCK TO THE DEATH OF AN 11 YEAR OLD.

The MEC for Social Development Mme Nkakareng Rakgoale, has reacted with shock to the killing of yet another child in Limpopo. This after a 28-year old woman allegedly killed her own son and buried him in a shallow grave at Hlalanikahle village outside Groblersdal yesterday.

“The continuing cases of murder against the most vulnerable people in our society is a serious concern to the Department of Social Development. As the society we are supposed to take good care of these innocent souls because they are the future of this country. Parents are supposed to love and nurture their children, not to abuse and kill them. The murder of this 11-year old happens at a time when we as government and the country at large wages a serious war against the killing of women and children and especially domestic violence. I would like to take this opportunity and call on parents who are experiencing challenges in raising their children to approach our social workers and seek assistance. The department has a child care and protection programme aimed at safe guarding and promoting the well-being of children as well as family preservation programmes” said Rakgoale.

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