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The Bela-Bela Community Hall was filled mainly with youth and municipal officials.



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June is recognized as Youth Month in South Africa, as June 16th is the official commemoration of the 1976 student revolt in Soweto.

The event, launched by the Premier of Limpopo's office, was held at the Bela-Bela Community Hall on Tuesday, 2 June.

The Premier of Limpopo, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, was designated to launch the event, but due to unforeseen circumstances, she could not attend, and was represented by the MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure in Limpopo, Ernest Ratsone, as acting-Premier.

He reiterated that the Premier of Limpopo is dedicated to the upliftment of the youth in the province.

Ratsone stated, "We celebrate the youth that shaped the future of our country. The students of 1976 showed us that education, equality, and equal opportunities were worth fighting for. Today's youth have different challenges that are equally important and also worth fighting for."

He concluded by saying, "Let us honour the legacy of 1976. Not just by remembering, but by actively participating to affect change." johanvn@diepos.co.za



The MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure, and acting-Premier, Ernest Ratsone.