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## 2019 O.R Tambo Games

The Department of Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation will stage the 2019 O.R Tambo Games as one of the flagship sport and recreation programmes that aim to promote sport in the province. The games have now been staged for a solid 15 years since their launch.

The games attract participants from the four (4) district municipalities and Mangaung Metro Municipality. These participants have been selected at different local and district levels of participation in these municipalities.

Participants take part in the following sporting codes:

1. Netball (females)
2. Softball (males and females)
3. Basketball (males and females)
4. Athletics / track events (males and females)
5. Volleyball (males and females) and
6. Physically Disabled Football (Males)

The 2019 O.R Tambo Games will be staged as follows:

### **Opening Ceremony and Memorial Lecture:**

**Date:** 25 October 2019

**Venue:** Thabong Community Centre (Thabong/Welkom)

**Time:** 18:00 for 18:30

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**Dress Code:** Strictly Formal

The lecture is expected to be attended by 1000 guests who will include dignitaries from the public and private sector as well as community-based structures.

**Games Kick-Off:**

**A.**

**Date:** 25 October 2019

**Time:** 14:00

**Venue:** TOSA TVET College

**Dress Code:** Semi-Formal or Sport Attire

**B.**

**Date:** 26 October 2019

**Time:** 09:00

**Venue:** Kopano Indoor Sport Centre and TOSA TVET College,  
Thabong/Welkom

**Dress Code:** Semi-Formal or Sport Attire

**Games Finals and Awards Ceremony:**

**Date:** 27 October 2019

**Time:** 15:00

**Venue:** Kopano Indoor Sport Centre and TOSA TVET College,  
Thabong/Welkom

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“Through the O.R Tambo Games we reaffirm our unrelenting and unwavering appreciation to the liberation stalwart of our liberation struggle to whom these games are dedicated, comrade Oliver Manyane Tambo. To him and his fellow combatants we owe the freedoms and liberties we enjoy today. Such freedoms and liberties include our ability to express ourselves freely in the arena of sport as in many other theatres of social, economic and political life”, stated the Member of the Executive Council for Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation, Ms Limakatso Mahasa.

“To the participants of these games, who come from different parts of our province, and having been selected at different local and district levels of participation, I extend my deepest and humble gratitude for the tenacity of spirit with which they take part in these games. Their participation epitomizes the spirit which stalwarts such as comrade O.R Tambo had, an unrelenting and persevering spirit until the goals is reached, the finish line is crossed and the final victory is achieved”, concluded Ms Mahasa.

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