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RE: 40 YEARS IMPRISONMENT FOR RAPE AND ROBBERY

Thabani Ngongo (31) was sentenced to 40 years imprisonment in the Scottburgh Regional Court last week after being convicted for the series of rapes and robberies he committed in 2009 and 2013.

The accused targeted four women in total, their ages ranging from 25 years old to 61 years old. Except for the first victim, who he only raped, the accused would threaten his victims with either a knife or screwdriver, rape them and then rob them.

In aggravation of sentence, Regional Court Prosecutor, Sibusiso Mhlomo led DNA evidence and the first reports of all the complainants. Further, victim impact statements facilitated by Court Preparation Officer, Ntuthuko Ngobese were also handed in to the court.

The accused was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment for each of the rape charges, while the sentences for theft, housebreaking and robbery will run concurrently; thus resulting in an effective 40 year term of imprisonment.

The KZN Director of Public Prosecutions, Advocate Moipone Noko welcomes the sentence.

Kind Regards,

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