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RE: 75 YEARS FOR MAN-G GANGSTER

A gang member of the notorious Man-G gang, Thamsanqa Brian Ngcobo, was sentenced to a collective 75 years imprisonment in the Durban Regional Court on Friday.

Ngcobo pleaded guilty to the robbery of several stores within the Foschini Group between 2017 to 2018.

Ngcobo was part of a 13-man gang which robbed a Clicks, Sportscene, American Swiss and Exact Store in Kwa-Zulu Natal. The gang would arm themselves with firearms and execute the same plan at each robbery.

He was arrested while committing another robbery, and linked to these offences. His coaccused are facing similar charges in the Empangeni area.

Ngcobo was sentenced to 15 years imprisonment on each of the five counts of robbery with aggravating circumstances resulting in 75 years imprisonment. The court ordered that some of the sentences run concurrently, so he will effectively serve 25 years imprisonment.

The matter was successfully prosecuted by Regional Court Prosecutor, Sureka Marimuthu.

The Director of Public Prosecutions in Kwa-Zulu Natal, Adv Elaine Zungu welcomed the sentence. She said, "Business robberies have a negative impact on our economy. We hope that this sentence will have the necessary deterrent effect."

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