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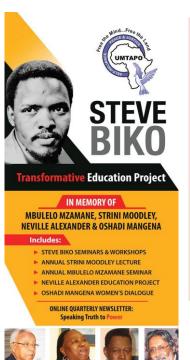
A TURNING POINT!

THE INAUGURAL OSHADI MANGENA GENDER DIALOGUE AS PART OF UMTAPO'S

STEVE BIKO TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION PROJECT WILL TAKE PLACE ON

24TH NOVEMBER 2017 FROM 09H30 – 13H00 AT THE DURBAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY (DUT)

IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DUT GENDER FORUM



Dr Oshadi Mangena, political and gender activist and patron of UMTAPO, passed way on 24 September 2015. She played a key role in the planning of UMTAPO's 10-day Women and Development Course which was conducted in all nine provinces in the 1990s.

Oshadi worked for the Christian Institute of Southern Africa (CI) after leaving her career as a nurse. In the early 1970s, she joined the Black People's Convention, the political wing of the Black Consciousness Movement and collaborated actively with the Pretoria branch of the South African Student's Association (SASO).

Oshadi was arrested after the June '76 uprising and spent months at The Old Fort prison, now Constitution Hill and was eventually banned and restricted to Mamelodi township in Pretoria.

In April 1977, she went into exile where she worked closely with the BCM's external wing. She was based in the Netherlands where she completed her doctoral studies and eventually lectured at the University of Amsterdam until she returned to South Africa in 1994 to continue with the struggle against injustice and oppression.

The continuing objectification and abuse of women and the girl-child in the country and globally in spite of the countless initiatives that attempt to address the issue is a growing matter of concern. With UMTAPO's work around the country with women and children, from the villages of Peddie in the EC to Madodonga in the far north of Limpopo, the cry to SMASH PATRIARCHY has never been louder.





It is time to reach a TURNING POINT!