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RUNNING ALL OF LIFE

BY: Ganjahman Samora

“Facing this decision is a funny feeling, you know when you tell the truth they are going to come and kill you” - Nispsey on the cash hustle talk. Born into the athletic race we arrive at a pace seemingly scheduled to progressively accelerate the runner all before derailing them, the rejection route of old stock. If it is not popping its hard as stone, say moon rocks that jazz the cannabinoids into a dance balancing of the dis-eased mitochondrions, the running weakens the wheels of life and dampens the energy centres, still the running goes on. The recovery of cannabis from the doors of prohibition across the plains of mother earth not just present day Afraka is a big victory for the plant kingdom, picture it in that Marijuana is the face of plant criminalisation. From Bhang (Cannabis) appears the onset of models regulating access to plants and their purpose to the human body, in some circles it is taught that plants are more synergistically related to human beings in reference to any other entities on these plains. How do we end up in a world with millions of plants in the surroundings but only a handful in the dining room, later on the healing cabinets? “Let the earth spring forth vegetation, plants yielding seeds, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each

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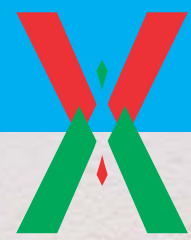
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according to its kind, upon the earth” Genesis 1:11 reads, these texts are talking to and on the same foundational elements that formulate the Ayurveda in the harmony between the environment, mind and body as the earth, seed and fruit. Overlooking the moulds of religion there exists golden threads that unite mankind beyond the metaphysical construct cornerstoning spirituality, in that all feed on plants. The fight to liberate cannabis has been tainted as a traction to a high in some cases of low vibrations yet in essence the hidden truth is that the lives that have been taken have been fighting for the plant kingdom from the hills of Ganja. In the present, the pursuit towards the liberation of plants is still present, the persecution under protection orders that require operators permits and letters of authorisation is the order of the day. At this moment cannabis emerges from seclusion into this same playground; we welcome the appearance of the Insango plant as a victory but in the grey areas the thought of plants still lounging in the dark corners of blurred texts moulding in underground alleys still remains. In a repetitive return to the holy manuscripts like a pastor on the podium, Genesis 1.11 plays with a few foundational issues with regard to vegetation in plants and fruit trees. “Plants yielding seeds”; this past week I went on a high hike with some oranges they tasted so sweet, probably high up there in orange leader boards if such exist. The experience would have been what my English cheater would have described as succulent, in all that drool and drip the mouth sore experience was the absence of

seeds in the oranges. I hear the call to patenting nature, how is the presence or in reality the absence of the seed playing with the phyto elements of the plant? At a time of seedless cannabis bud and clones in mothers how close are we to restoring the true liberation of the cannabis plant? Is it free from darkness and captured under grow lights? Without quaking more of the ground a sip of water turns again the pages of the I-ble as the Rastaman pronounce, the community of cannabis growers holds in high regard substrates and nutz in essentials to a Bhang-ing blossom as would be say the strain of the plant. The sacred texts refer to the earth as the base upon which the vegetation, the plants and fruit trees must emerge. Could there be more than just nutrients that the soil of the earth houses, so much so that it is stated as the primary environment for the vegetation? Would those ray relays in cold energy and Mother Nature's synergy that earthing human feet feast on be food for the plants too? If the plants grow from the ground and humans are made from ground do they then relate better on grounding principles with the body if both are “upon the earth”? The mind runs on but the space runs out as the search goes on, are we finding some old truth to lose them to present noxious approaches that steal the locks from the set in magnesium inhibits keeping Mbanje on parole. The gateways in regulations and licences keep the people as pursuers running along corridors of legalisation and alleys of criminalisation, the Matekwane race goes on for the plants in environments robbed of balanced rooting and uprooting systems.



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CANNABIS EXPO VIDEO: A call to Unity & On the ground consultation coupled with a Balanced and informative approach into the Cannabis Industry in South Africa

A CANNABIS JUNCTION INITIATIVE

As the smoke of weed churned and the Indian Ocean breeze piggy puffed on people of weed in the Suncoast Arena in Durban, South Africa. Kush Mami Creations and Seven Leaf Magazine patrolled the alleys of the second cannabis exhibition of 2022 and first feature in the coast city in three years. The first stop on the discussion trail is Smokey Pyramids the regulars and almost perennial neighbours of 7LEAF at the past Cannabis Exhibitions. Smokey Pyramids a duo formulated by Rasta who took a dive into the cannabis industry to trade in the paraphernalia and products of cannabis without shying away from THC they left their nine to five and find a home in the cannabis industry fittingly so as Rasta they spiritual face of cannabis. Lesedi linked up with Smokey the shorter half of the duo who called for Unity within the cannabis industry as he remarks on the present dynamics formulating the cannabis industry. "This is a plant whereby each and every person was supposed to be partaking but you find that its only different people who are doing that who have cannabis knowledge, the biggest obstacle is the knowledge".

The paramount principle said to lead to death by the biblical manuscripts is the absence of knowledge. The propaganda campaigns have dwarfed passive platforms for factual relays with regard to the ganja plant, the mass ignorance on opportunities to participation speaks volumes in a reflection to a thorn in the flesh of a looming industry.

Smokey speaks to the benefits that the proposed cannabis regulation has brought forth indicating that regulation is shining a light on the importance of cannabis "from Agriculture, health and the benefits, the future is bright for cannabis, if you are not in cannabis you are missing out on the future". Smokey concluded the chat with Cannabis Junction he dropped a cut from Bob Marley stating that "this is a billion dollar industry whereby a lot of people must be part of this, in Weed there is no I, "its We" as we are together we can make sure that its unity as Bob Marley said 'like unity its love, so one love one nation one herb".

The next stop on the Q&A stroll stops on the Umzivubu podium a Pondoland based community support network that has been the

defensive arm in the representation of the generational plight the Pondoland cannabis community has encountered from the state and the police. Mfaneliso speaks to us indicating that whilst many issues stand as matters of concern with regard to their organisation and the community. The present matter that brings them to the Durban edition of the cannabis Expo is the law discussion "we just came to talk about the laws the way they are now and the way the government is distant from the (rural) cannabis community in talks of legalisation of cannabis with no actualised legalisation of cannabis as of yet". The initial suspension of the law incriminating cannabis was passed in September of 2018, the approach to the four year anniversary reveals stagnancy on the rural grassroots cannabis who have been waiting in vain for the love of the government, it is only fitting for foundational communities such as the people of Pondoland to be agitated by the delays in not only consultative approaches with the absence of an inclusive approach.

Mfaneliso refers back to 2002

when Pondoland was the hub in the supply chain of cannabis in the country of South Africa a position which would in a consultative front position them on the frontlines of cannabis community cultivation. "The market is going down, the government is lacking to consult the real people, if they are to consult the real people who have been growing for many years, they can get what they need to make the laws happen to everyone in South Africa".

Speaking on the consultative gap between the regulatory authorities, the interested and affected parties Mfaneliso continues to state that "now they are sitting there in parliament, I don't think the law they are making is going to be affordable for someone sitting in the villages. Already they are making the laws for someone who has the money and for someone who has applied for licencing" Mfaneliso indicates that he was born to parents growing cannabis and he enjoys growing and smoking organic Weed. How does a legislative framework overlook the custodians of cannabis?

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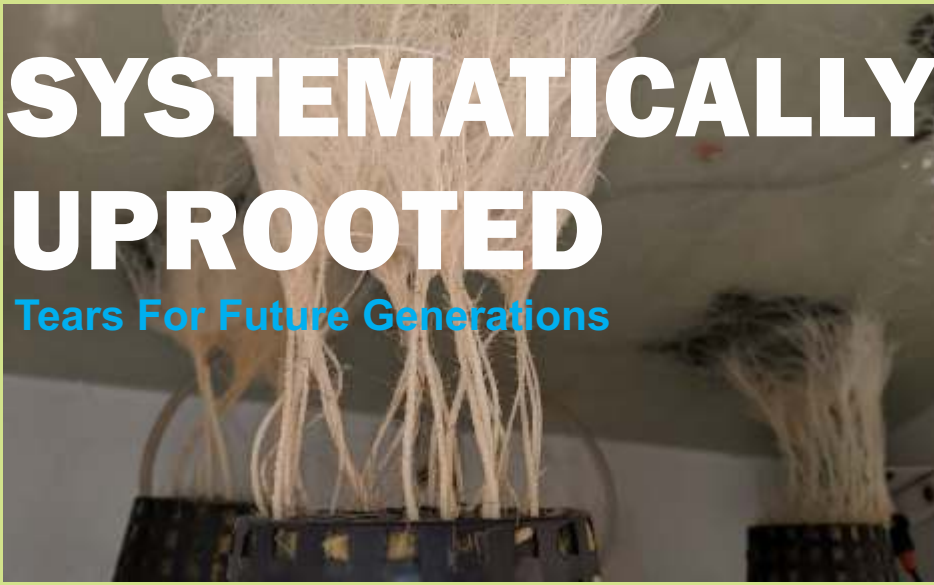
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SamoRa M.

Emerging in an era of resurgence, we arrive at a time where on every passing day we have innovative cannabis information in the mainline media. Whilst previous appearances for Cannabis in the scrolls of propaganda have been an attack on the cannabis plant and people, there sails a new breeze on public information dissemination platforms. In Paralegalised communities cannabis news now speaks towards the solutions that cannabis could couple more than the couple of arrests still present s in the everyday lives of the marginalised mingling with the same Marijuana. The new platforms for cannabis news are key in the breaking down of propaganda wars on cannabis that peaked

with "Refer Madness" and the dousing of the cannabis flames that now position the people who embrace it with new hope and a light in dark alleys of despair and debt. The full embrace of the cannabis plant is a story for another day, in the moment the call is for the public access to the undoctored information on cannabis. An allopathic generation will call for scientific approaches and dossiers with academic references as yet we find the same genes morphing as we transition through a time of the fall of science or rather the falsification of what would be science.

The passion around the cannabis plant is something that the human consensus cannot birth in a population in say a generation. Cannabis has a deep

intergenerational link and its presence in the depths of foundational building blocks of the mitochondrion speaks potentials in root restoration that would emanate from the re-birthing and fuelling of a functional cannabinoid system in the body of humans. A transformative community is a hindrance to a stationery system of affairs that enriches itself in the plights the earthlings, packing papers of wealth from poverty of mind and body through the gatekeeping between the souls and the solution is a is the characteristic role out of functionality in operational models.

The context that in Nigeria, cannabis is incriminated by the Indian Hemp Law whilst the streamed trial of the cannabis plant presented the suspended legislation in South Africa as the "last enacted apartheid law" brings to the fore the silenced truths that native people did not discriminate or incriminate cannabis in black and white text. In the victory, the fights to sovereignty adopted frameworks that ensured that the Ganja plant that makes the paper used to print money was pushed away from people as the control of cannabis is a foot on the economic clutch ensuring slow releases of the captives. Man like George Washington Carver

have formulated technologies around the fauna to solve area plights, terminologies blatantly term working units in synergy as "plants"; yet the one ones who construct the system still obstruct the internal technologies of the plant itself. An in-depth approach and analysis in consideration of the plant kingdom must commence riding on the crown of cannabis, could we be trampling on our spaceships and medication?

The primal approach is now the throttled systematic role out in partial acceptance of a plant and the control of information with regard to the cannabis plant, clamped recreationally to curb what would be a morphing mental cloud in a puff; that which Harry J. Anslinger as the commissioner of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics did not mince his words in stating that "reefer makes darkies think they're as good a white men. The primary reason to outlaw marijuana is its effect on the degenerate races". The campaign founded on falsehoods in the furious wars against the female plant of Mbanje must be unpacked to common man who have gobbled goblins in pretexts of golden apples fruits of a deliberate misinformation campaign and false liberations.

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JUICY FIELDS CANNABIS SCAM BURNS SOUTH AFRICANS



BY WILLIAM WALLACE (thehighco.co.za)

So you've heard all about The Green Rush and how billions are being made in the legal cannabis industry. But the idea of having to grow your own weed dispensary or starting a canna-centric business from the ground up seems like a lot of work on top of the funds that you would need to invest before seeing a cent of profit in return. Fortunately a company came a long that promised to do all of the hard work for you.

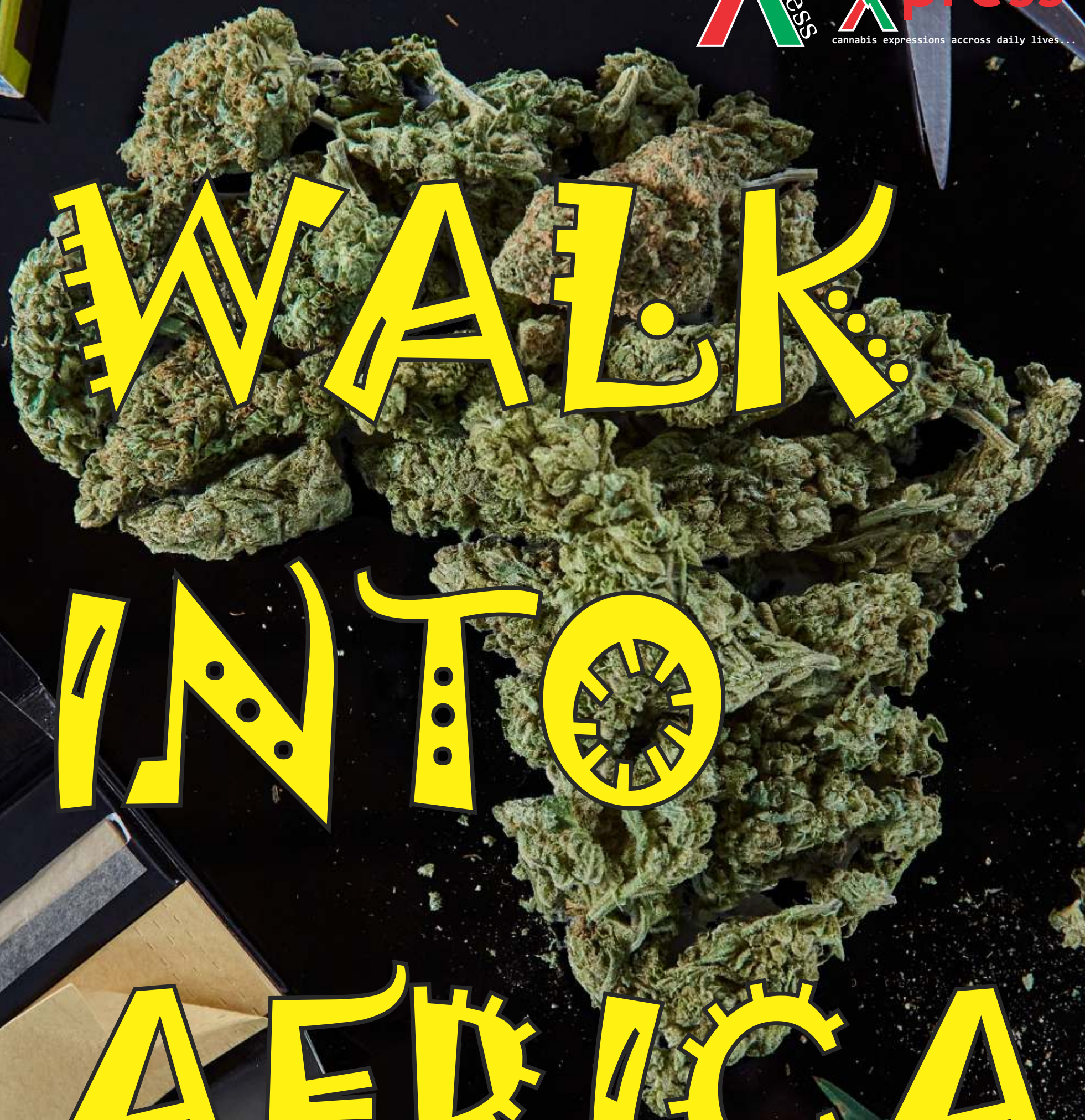
Simply give them anything from a couple hundred to a million bucks or more and they would "grow" your money for you. The investment would be used to fund international legal grows and canna centric businesses, while you simply sat back and watched you investment double in a year or less. This is what Juicy Fields offered all size of investors. Anyone who has attended the recent local cannabis expos

could not have missed the very large stand of the main event sponsor Juicy Fields. The self proclaimed cannabis crowd growing platform has been trending for all the right reasons, offering an opportunity to invest in cannabis with hands free returns that were almost too large to believe. In fact, I personally could barely hold in a gasp when a lovely young lady showed me their pamphlet. I could easily double my money in a year. It didn't matter that she was dressed more for the beach than for providing financial advice or that their was nothing behind the first layer of promo material. All that matters was the massive return on investment and the money that I would miss out on by being cautious.

The offer was so attractive that many easily overlooked the obvious red flags. Firstly, you would have to invest by cryptocurrency only and you would be paid out in crypto. Secondly, no documents were

required from you. Simply register online, send the crypto and watch your profits grow. It was so easy and the returns were too huge to ignore. This was your chance to get in on the ground level of The Green Rush. So thousands of people got onboard the Juicy Fields train destined for wealth. And things went well for a while. Sure most of my friends laughed at it for the obvious crypto that it was. But there were also those who couldn't resist the temptation. Whether it was greed, gullibility or need that drove them to hit to invest their crypto currency. It wasn't my place to judge. Then this week the drama hit the fan. Little did the investors know that they would wake up to find themselves locked out of their accounts and 99% of the website gone. All social accounts were are also suddenly blank. The OG directors and founders are now in the wind. And so are the billions in crypto.

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WALK INTO AFRICA



A STROLL INTO NAIJA GANJA GATES



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The largest bordered community on the continent of Africa in Nigeria swings on an approximated fifteen million daily users ranking highly as one of the top three contenders in global consumers of cannabis (bear in mind consumers), Iceland and North America formulate the other top consumers. Cannabis on the streets of Nigeria has more than a handful names for cannabis evolving from the incognito dynamics together with the multi and intergenerational presence of the plant with names such as Kwale, Igbo, Oja, Blau, Kpoli, Lala the Danktionery is staking up new names of Ganja.

Culturally Nigeria documents Kwale smoking as in being a key player that was used to enforce the confidence of soldiers with a scholarly approach acknowledgement backing concurring that the plant was introduced into the country by returning war men. Grey scaled history indicates that the Euro-Africa movement of the plant was already prevalent in the early 19th century as there are indications pointing to British colonialists engaging in cannabis cultivations sized as small scale and coca plantations with no size of cultivation, these happening at the height of Anslingers rage in the 1930s.

The Indian Hemp Act of 1966 stands as the initial text work that prohibits and regulates the framework around the cultivation, possession and trade the cannabis plant and its by-products. Cannabis is still criminalised in the country with convictions racking up to

21 years jail time. In curbing the school to prison pipeline and the prevalence in the smoking of cannabis by young people there exists a leniency towards what would be offenders below the age of 17 and ones that can prove ignorance of possession, "riddle me that". A Nigerian drug report stated that about 8,900 hectares of cannabis were cultivated in 6 of 36 states in 2019 despite stringent laws and harsh methods of enforcement. Whilst Nigeria grows Weed internally it is heavily supported by incoming weed from the neighbouring bordered lands as the country still plays a willing trader as an "illegal" exporter. The smoke of the 1930 colonial trails of Cannabis trade have not been eroded more so that than erased in this jungle, the wheels on the bus still go round and round.

In its documented criminality cannabis crawls the streets floors of Nigeria waiting on winks and whistle calls the plants answers packed thick in a plastic sachet to the order of the Okada (Taxi Motorcycle). This norm nicodemusly takes shape across the public spaces of Nigeria in cultural availability, the sachet cushion can be located from the motor parks, open markets as it puffs up the stacks to the glamorous of couches. In response to an externally seeking culture modelled in the demise of pride a weakening from eased availability the locally grown cannabis sells for between N10 (Ten Naira) and N20 a

gram. Some stash comes wrapped in packs of 5 grams at a straight line value of N100, \$24¢ a wrap.

The diversity in the availability of Oja spells numerous tales as circles change with the range and grade of cannabis; the continual presence of cannabis across various communities makes the green Lala a leader in a traverse in the order of staples. As one ascends the ladder of laces and luxury exotic strains emerge from cabinets and glass jars to the smoking consumer. In illegal markets the bursting point into legality is seen by a tipping point formulated by a groups lobby in their numbers of existence questioning the illegality frameworks. The presence of such a Porsche culture in Nigeria now speaks boldly to the changing times for the plant in this era. The time for Kpoli to walk away from the pages of war and colonialism into the gardens of the people of Nigeria nears as the internal external reach expands a movement of bringing cannabis to the people will not be denied.

The influence of the muscle in Ganja from the Southern front of Africa cannot be ignored in Nigeria, a famed strain known as Arizona or pawpaw trades for N100/gram. This appears in the fashion of what was famed as Cheese or Cali weed once upon the street of South Africa, Igbo sold in wraps of five grams (N500, \$1.20/pack) trades just over and dollar. The top of the range cannabis is said to be America Loud and Canada Loud there are no prices for the supposed origin if these strains that packs up to N18,000 (\$44) for a quarter of an ounce at about \$7/gram. The streamed Atlantic Ocean neighbours in Ghana access what is reported as the same loud at N10,000 (\$25) for just over fourteen grams.

A number of countries are publicly reconciling with a cannabis plant in its resurgence, investments are being poured into research and development programs that cement cannabis as a plant that can heal the ailing African economies as well as improve the personal, micro and macroeconomic health of a people evidenced in the academic researches that enlist the cannabis plant as one of medical importance with low mention of the industrial value of cannabis.

A notable number of Nigerians are becoming aware of the benefits that the nation stands to grapple from the normalisation of the cannabis plant existence; as conversations in the echelons of governance are happening within the state, CannaXpress notes with concern the apparent silence from the Presidential aspirants with regards the state of cannabis in the country. That with particular concern in the consideration of the fact that Princess Miriam Onuoha, a Member of the House of Representatives in Nigeria proposed a Cannabis Control Bill; proposing to the facilitation and leading to the cultivation of cannabis for medical and industrial purposes.

In a non-premeditated cause partnership the Governor of Ondo State Arakunrin Rotimi Akeredolu has since before the 2019 when Muhammad Mustapha Abdallah whilst serving as the Nigeria Drug Law Enforcement Authority (NDLEA) head visited Thailand to learn about growing cannabis. In 2023 Thailand is giving away one million cannabis plants to its communities in an empowering bid that does not necessarily legalise the plant but normalises it.

In a 2019 tweet on Governor Akeredolu verified account indicated that it was public knowledge that "Ondo state is the hotbed of cannabis cultivation in Nigeria, we know how to grow it and it shines well in the Sunshine state". The absence in hints of hemp or mentions of cannabis by the presidential aspirants leaves question marks as to the immediate future of cannabis in Nigeria. The current president of Malawi Lazarus Chakwera spoke of high growth and low input crops in his campaign shying note from the cannabis plant, in Kenya George Luchiri Wajackoyah expresses the monetisation of the cannabis crop and the native wildlife, whilst in Zimbabwe the President commissioned a medicinal cannabis farm and processing plant. In a harmonised effort an answer to the call by the ex-president Olusegun Obasanjo, "to decriminalise cannabis and reduce the indiscriminate arrest of people" could position the country of Nigeria as a power player in the Blau industry in the view that a Nigeria bust is the second largest reported seizure sitting at 260 tons of cannabis between the years 2017 and 2019, this is rivalled only by Morocco, where the seizure numbers sat at 280 tonnes of confiscated cannabis was within the same period.



A call to Unity & On the ground consultation coupled with a balanced and informative approach into the Cannabis Industry in South Africa



Lesedi with Mfaneliso Mphahlele (Umzimvubu Farmers Support Network)



Smoke at the Durban Cannabis Expo

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He remarks that "the Rasta community is the reason why we have cannabis today" as he calls on a localised approach to cannabis plant production and preservation of local strains found in the land of South Africa Mfaneliso indicates that TK (a Pondoland Weed strain) can pack a punch on the hemp variation with a 0.3% THC threshold it can rival the current hemp seeds being imported into South Africa. "We must not go outside to look for seeds, we already have the seed in South Africa, and we must fight to plant our plant instead of growing outside".

Roseanne from Think Green a Cannabis consultation and production business steps forward in a chat with Kush Mami Creations and 7LEAF as she cites her early entry into the cannabis industry with indications of participation in the founding of CDCSA (Cannabis Development Council of South Africa). In the archetypes of rolled up her sleeves Roseanne stands tall with a cosmetic line of cannabis products that range from soaps to topical application products. In a remark to her business front the Think Green Queen iterates that the cosmetic cannabis venture toyed firmly with cannabis paralegal lines so we started where we are, we did not have to wait for the ideal environment. The presence of multiple grey areas when it comes to legalising cannabis coupled with the delay from the government in formulating the regulation of cannabis is resulting in a ballooning "illegal market". In response to the current legislative framework governing the privacy of cannabis in growth and use Roseanne indicates that not everyone can grow and whilst the eight plants are permitted

within the backyard finding a balance is in the establishment of a dealer - consumer economic framework.

For cannabis smoking to be permitted in privacy without provisions for trade is senseless "you cannot have users without dealers, it has to work hand in hand because not everyone can grow, I have tried to grow many times in my space and I have failed. Look at where we are we are, the Cannabis Expo which has been running since 2018, it is called the Cannabis Expo but then we are not allowed to trade in the actual cannabis" states Roseanne. A house without a roof is how the cannabis legislation approach seems to be appearing in the suspended legislation, some participants in the industry are being drenched in the rain whilst the basement dwellers lounge in the dry racks and light rooms beneath the ground. The same underground operations that Mfaneliso from Umzimvubu attributes to have hit hard the demand and supply lines of cannabis from the Mpondo Kingdom that has faced the documented war on cannabis coupled with a distanced embrace in the absence of rural inclusive frameworks of participation. Tebatso Mphahlele one of three Canna Stoners indicates that their drive as an organisation is to creatively deliver cannabis medicines as a means to reposition the stigma on the plant. The lovers of cannabis position their movement as an insight platform into the medicinal benefits of cannabis, as willing participants on the peripheries of the same industry Tebatso specifies that the routes of entry are shrouded in red tape as one approaches the gates of legalities with intentions of legal admittance into the cannabis

industry. The systematic incapacitation is voiced out as he states that the starting line is from a front where with the current land reform not happening, we don't have land and with access to land one needs capital to cultivate and culture the crop "for the black masses that want to pursue a career or a business in cannabis it is very hard for them, the licenses...".

Tebatso digs deep within the cores with citations of a tightening grasp on the cannabis industry in South Africa as he states that "they still want to regulate everything, the regulation is a big red tape. This business requires consistency and it's open to non-smokers too". In a continued remark Tebatso indicates that the cannabis industry is huge and the opportunities of entry are awash and befriending google and network with cannabis people can pivot as an eye opening encounter with regard to participation in the space.

As would be the order of this existence the heightened Matekwane industry houses obstacles of operation headlined by the steep opportunities of entry into the mainline cannabis business, that of which Mphahlele says "you have to make your own platforms, there is not a lot of spaces that are open to help the young black men in these spaces". The absence of defined structures of grassroot development positions emerging entrepreneurs to a slow start as recyclers, redistributors and consumers creating jobs for other people whilst bootstrapping to get the cause rolling.

In a round up on the discussion Thobekile Zulu and Reapele Africa lounge with Cannabis Junction to on the same frequencies of fishing

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in the cannabis industry, Reapele Africa operate Isihlangu a cannabis hub and platform showcasing different elements of the cannabis plant. Thobekile zeros on the cannabis permits as she highlights the delays with regard to the processing of applications towards legal participation in the space, the elongated turn over timelines in processing the applications for hemp permits presents challenges in the same magnitude as those of finding funding. The indications are that the authorities within the regulatory departments do not really have clear answers when it comes to some of the facets within the applications.

MaZulu adds on the remark with proposed solutions as she states that "it would be really nice for all of us to be able to partake to have a full understanding as to what exactly is happening. Cannabis became decriminalised but we were not ready, similar to us being given back our generational wealth but we are not ready, there was no information passed on to us there was no training done to ensure that we can better sustain ourselves". Thobekile continues to speak towards a vision stating that the cannabis industry is not an easy platform loyalty and unity are paramount in helping one find feet on the quick sand that is the cannabis industry.

The Cannabis Expo in Durban South Africa turned out to be a succulent encounter outside of the juicy headlines that resulted in muted branding and a swift save in isolation from a sinking ship; the freedom fest was ablaze with a line-up of cool creatives as the Aaptwak Foundation smoked trouble with their smoke machine and a 9.8sec joint speed rolling time awarded to Dacha San.

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THE STONER LIVES, STYLES & STEREO_TYPES



Ziggy M.

In recalling the mainline history of cannabis, wild misconceptions have laced definitions with regard to what “stoner” is. The term “stoner” surfaces as a derogatory term labelling and stigmatising a gathering of cannabis users and enthusiasts. The term dating back to the 1930's was used to describe sequential partakers in drugs and in reference to their altered conscious state, the users were referred were often 'stoned' on psychoactive substances (such as marijuana). As we approach the one hundred year mark of the propaganda campaign against cannabis, the Oxford Dictionary defines 'stoned' as: “a state of not behaving or thinking normally because of the effects of a drug such as marijuana or alcohol”. The

general consensus is that a stoner is said to be high all the time, 'lazy' and unable to perform tasks to an effective level, with no goals or dreams. But is this really who the modern stoner is? In the exemplification of the Taijitu there are unarguably users who fit hand and glove into the magnified stereotypes, the reality however is that there are also users 'stoners' who despite being on the active path of using marijuana, are the true opposite of where the mass opinion has been positioned. In the bigger picture of the creative influence that cannabis births in brains we find that “STONERS” think even more creatively, work more effectively, see more clearly whilst living more in alignment to their

assignment, this a vast contrast to the published misconceptions. The community of cannabis users is highlighted by creatives, business owners, lawyers, engineers, dancers, farmers, surgeons and the leaders of tomorrow. These minds that are framing the future can be found across all plains where cannabis communities gather in bits and business, the exemplifications of productive and constructive stoners are found closer than misconstrued as family and friends live with cannabis contrary to the falsified opinions. Stoners have good lives, habits, dreams, ambitions and a “LIFESTYLE” searing across the populace as seen in televised content and the initiation of legislative frameworks

around the cannabis plant. In time, marijuana is gaining popularity and acceptance worldwide, as the control of information collapses a transitioning is occurring into a promising phase that is seeing the misconstrued public notions on the negative perceptions associated with the term “stoner” has been greatly minimized. In modern day times more people are now participating in the culture of weed consumptions and smoking as the prominent mode of consumption there lives a different definition of boldness in finding identity with so termed “stoner” communities.

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ZIMBABWE OPENS UP FOR CBD MEDICINES

SamoRa M.

Off the cuffs of a crippling cough we smell again the scent of flowering in cannabis regulatory roll outs that have witnessed nations in the personalities of Zimbabwe and Nigeria take advanced steps to rope in cannabis in the medicinal regulatory framework of the country. The Medicines Control Authority of Zimbabwe (MCAZ) released a circular in which it referenced the approval of hemp based cannabidiol (CBD) products as complimentary medicines. The approval clear in bold indicates the partitioning of the plant and the areas of functionality with an emphasis on CBD.

When Seven Leaf exhibited at the Zimbabwe International Trade Fair one of the major concerns raised by a co-exhibitor on the hemp front was the absence of a defined route with regard the regulation and the formulation of Hemp based medicines. The multimillion dollar cannabis and production facility commissioned by the president of Zimbabwe would have ashed away as a foiled investment in the delay to roll out such an invitation. The MCAZ lists six steps commencing with the submission of dossiers followed by the submission of sample products, the next four

steps speak to the clarity and the compliance of the final products with a call for certificates of analysis fishing out the tetrahydrocannabinoid THC that may be concentrated to level beyond the approved threshold. The circular calls for “clearly specifying the indications, warning and the contradictions among other information s part of the product information”. The circular sealed by the Acting Director General Ronald T Rukwata delivers what one pharmacist termed as “good news” in the clarity that now exists with regard to the hemp based medicinal products, affiliate hair products that contain hemp oil and seeds are readily available on the street corners of Zimbabwe. Such is the grasp of MCAZ on grassroots affairs and medicinal control in that at one point pharmacies were empty after the department had emptied the cabinets of expired medications. Zimbabwe already has active hemp growers and with the value addition facilities emerging in the capital if the country Harare there is high hope that in time Zimbabwean hemp products will once line the shelves of counters and pharmacies in the country



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THE STONER LIVES, STYLES & STEREOTYPES

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Comprised of High-profile buildi In the pursuit towards the lifestyle of a healthy and fulfilling stoner there need be an awareness that the term permeates past the culture of consumption solely, igniting Marijuana on a daily alone does not suffice as an adequate claim of acknowledgment from the cannabis plant. The beginning is found in a relational understanding between the user and the plant itself more than that of identifying with other people regardless of the perception a personal acknowledgement with regard to the sway of the weed waters must over ride even that of a community that accepts that there's nothing wrong with getting stoned. In facts cannabis is banned in sport as "a performance enhancing drug", it is no wonder that one can do so much better when you are stoned as the herb releases the stress and anxieties of everyday life. The present day stoner lifestyle is about acknowledging the rules and regulations that govern the sales and consumption of cannabis in one's locality tying that up with living accordingly, considering that there are always lurking federal agents and the ill-informed judgmental eyes in the society. The

essence to a "Stoner" is a call to represent the cannabis culture through maintaining a positive and active attitude towards life and the people of life. blocks in mainline celebrities and prominent people in the both the living and the transcended the likes of Burna Boy, Fela Kuti, Bob Marley, Jay Z, Steve Jobs, Abraham Lincoln, Maya Angelou, Brad Pitt, Rihanna, Wizkid, Orlando Owoh, Bob Marley and Barrack Obama have taken a puff of the healing herb. Most who attribute the experiences and the meditations from Kwale as gifts from the herb inspiring and informing their agenda howbeit in music, literature and inventions; the bulk of these people have pivoted strongly in reshaping how the society views the cannabis plant and the people that enjoy the Ganja lifestyle, "Stoners" to say.



JUICY FIELDS CANNABIS SCAM BURNS SOUTH AFRICANS

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Alarm bells started to ring a few months ago when regulators in Spain, Germany and The Netherlands warned that the scheme was a possible fraud. That all of their business accounts were registered in tax havens was also a concern. Investors continued to ignore these warnings and celebrated their massive returns. That was until they could no longer access the website or their funds this week. It turns out that many of the Juicy Field directors and managers had quietly jumped ship, with the company's social media accounts disappearing. Now investors are left without their funds and are unlikely to get any straight answers. With each statement and step from the company raising even more questions and suspicions. Some have speculated that this all part of an exit plan for when the balloon popped. It turns out that many of Juicy Fields' commercial agreements were false. And that the company had recently changed it's address several times. Some execs have gone so far as to scrub Juicy Fields from their

professional profiles. Frankly it is very difficult to figure out who is now in charge of the company or what the future holds for investors. As what appears to be a ponzi scheme is beginning to crumble. It remains to be seen how The Cannabis Expo handles their biggest sponsor possibly being unmasked as a financial predator. Who may have also duped the Expo organizers themselves. One that targeted the enthusiasm and naivety of the local market. A market that is likely to truly feel the burn of this saga as local business confidence hits all time lows. Some blame does certainly lay with the investors who blinkered themselves from the obvious warning signs. I just hope that they weren't gullible or greedy enough to convince their friends and family members to also blindly jump into The Green Rush with them.

SCAN TO READ ON THE HIGH CO WEBSITE



SYSTEMATICALLY UPROOTED

Tears For Future Generations

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Vision 2030 approaches the 100 year mark in a media war against Insango, with a drive towards sustainability, the preserving of life on Earth, we live in a peak time of destruction, wars, disease and hunger. With cannabis having been a part of quota system framed in unashed history of street walls, it is no mystery that in most African nations there seems to exist a cannabis variety native to that land, how else may such a "destructive" plant forge such a presence amongst a people it apparently destroys? Attacked mainly on the smoking front the Jazz counterpart has a volatile industrial wing that cripples conglomerates and normalises the elite in the potential to pass sustainability to the people. Hemp is hailed to heal the land, heal the people and help human spirits walk past the gates of the soul; the dark is coming to light and whenever head of states and influencers speak on Bhang in public it seems like an aphrodisiac sip for the cannabis communities. The headlines are plenty but the headways are few for the same people housed under the blouse of deceit and the illusion of inclusion; the gatekeepers speak to new terms of entry that sound sweet. Let us not forget the bitter outcomes

confirmed in the freeing of alcohol from prohibition note how Charles Gloss, Jim Welsh and Henry Marshall made alcohol from a plot of land for fortune seekers, the same plot today still named after Brown as present day Marshall Town, Johannesburg. Where are the names of the natives who brewed malt beer? Where is the land named after our ancestors? Botswana still today criminalises the production of traditional Khadi by the natives, the reasons we hear but where are the stories of another people here? This is the pathway that cannabis is framing once again, not because of absence of the concerned parties but more so in that the nature of the system sequences on the same sails, it is thus paramount to presently disregard the models of old in the approach to the green gold. Landless and Randles the pyramids must be tipped to ensure a rebasing in the wealth promises of weed. Give the people cannabis in the same way education is traded to unfulfilled promises of "freedom" and yet still it is accessible to all who desire to embark on the train with some mandates of compulsory participation, Sinsimilla could sound like a school quota system.

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HIGH NOTE!

Sometimes, its hard to tell if you're doing the best you can, right? I mean, with all thats happening around us, it seems like every new week presents new challenges, to dissolve all of last weeks efforts. It gets discouraging, demoralising and debilitating. Not to mention tiring!

BUT, we continue to contrive a means even in the most treacherous situationS! One thing about humans - we will survive!

But how? How do you learn and teach yourself to "survive" and remain ambitious?

One trick, one word - consistency! Consistency is key AND king!

Think of when you first learnt to roll up a blunt...it took a while to get it right, didn't it? But through sheer determination and a strong desire to get high, you not only learnt the skill but mastered it.

Feel demoralised, cool. Feel discouraged, alright...but remain consistent in what you do! Consistency yields results. Though consistency, marginal adjustments are made and without our conscious knowledge...our micro evolution begins.

Whatever result you are looking for and working toward... be consistently consistent in it and you will achieve the result..it may take longer than you think...but you'll get there...if you stay consistent!

NEWS

If you haven't heard the news yet, or if you don't know - Kulcha Sundaze has been extended!!!

That's right, fam. You can now OFFICIALLY find all members and vibes of The Kulcha every Sunday at FourFourTwo in Pretoria. Much love to FourFourTwo for reaching out, believing in and supporting our vision. We are eternally grateful!

On the subjects good news, announcements and partnerships, we are also proud to announce our new affiliation with Jack Green. Jack Green is a cannabis research and development enterprise that is constantly striving to provide the HIGHEST quality products to cater to various sections of the cannabis industry.

Also, if you're an actor, or you if know of one, maybe you can help score them a job for the summer. For our next (ad)venture, we are producing a PLAY! YEAH, a play, like, theatre and shit...and we're looking for young black actors.

Its gonna be a 420 friendly adaptation of a classic Shakespearean play - 12th Night.

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PODCAST

The latest instalment of The Kulcha Podcast sees us tap in with local, prolific hip hop duo - Born Fire Rebelz. If you've ever attended any of our events in the past year, you ought to be familiar with the group and their FIRE performances for The Kulcha.

Conversation kicks off with the usual random ass ice-breaker. This episode's ice-breaker was really thought provoking as our guests are left scratching their heads as the question is asked - who did who the most dirty in the cases of Judas v Jesus and Samson v Delilah.

It was downhill from there as the duo found the chats intriguing. What was also intriguing was the deep dive we took into them and their origin story. The in depth look into the duo unpacks to the listeners who they are, why they do what they do and what inspired them to start and stay on the certain path of creativity they are on.

We also get into their new EP - Preparations which is available on all streaming platforms.

Oh and Stan retells a very relatable tale about being stood up.



MORE NEWS...

In other news, we've got 2 other events that we are taking part in this month. Both events are taking place in Johannesburg and it'd be dope to see you there!

1 - Green Thumb Connoisseur Day, taking place at Mary Jane's Hacienda in Kensington!

2 - Christmas in July, taking place at Uncle D'Z Social Club in Boksburg

Best believe we're bring all our artist friends to elevate the vibes at these events!



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GROWTH TIPS

by @TheFartingFlea

Sarah's Pain

A five four split
The sheer vastness of
a single stoke of a pen

A right to choose
A right to live
A right to a voice
All denied
Her fate is sealed
What have they won

Alone she weeps
Her mind is done
As society dictates
Less rights than a gun

Our mothers
Our wives
Our sisters and daughters
Their rights being led
Like lambs to the slaughter

First infirm and weak
Next mother and child
When it's our time
No doubt they will smile

Eroding our liberties
And taking control
For sure it's not long
Til we're the death toll

So fuck this world
and all its insanity
And the wanton destruction
For all of humanity

No heroes there are
Just zeros they'll be
A gavel in hand
Nothing here to see



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HOW TO SUPPORT US

"This week, "consistency"" is the word. Why? Well, because it feels like we are finally starting to reap the rewards of putting our heads down and focusing on making The Kulcha as dope an experience as possible.

If you appreciate our trajectory and respect the level of consistency we are hitting and would like to get involved, you can help out by spreading the word about us, listening to our podcast, supporting our events or even just giving us a joint when you see us...

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We welcome all feedback as we tend to be too baked to take things negatively...so please, mail us...tell us what you think and feel about what we do!

We'd love to hear from you! Thank you for your continued support!

The Kulcha Team

