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CHIKUNGA CONGRATULATES KGOHATSO MONJANE FOR WINNING WIMBLEDON WOMEN'S WHEELCHAIR DOUBLES CHAMPIONS.

Pretoria: Minister in the Presidency responsible for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities, Sindisiwe Chikunga congratulate Kgothatso Montjane and Yui Kamiji the winners of the 2024 Wimbledon women's doubles final against the Dutch duo Diede de Groot and Jiske Griffioen in London today.

“Kgothatso Montjane’s victory brings hope to women, youth and persons with disabilities in South Africa. The White Paper on Rights of Persons with Disabilities gives clarion directives under each of the 9 Strategic Pillars, a responsibility to eradicate persistent systemic discrimination and exclusion experienced by persons with disabilities”, said Minister Chikunga.

The democratic government have registered some noteworthy changes regarding how disability is addressed and has been implementing in earnest, a transformation agenda aimed at building a just and equitable society for all. Montjane, is a top-ranked African wheelchair tennis player and the first black South African women wheelchair tennis player to compete at Wimbledon.

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