

## Keep children away from building sites

THE lockdown as announced by President Cyril Ramaphosa was intended to flatten the curve of the coronavirus and, if the statistics are anything to go by, lockdown seems to have achieved the intended outcomes.

Little has been said about how the lives of children have been affected by this pandemic.

Children have been idling at home, not going to school, restricted to go anywhere else due to the regulations that came about as a result of coronavirus.

We have seen or heard about incidents involving children due to water and human settlements construction sites that are left open.

We implore parents to teach their children about the dangers of construction sites that may lead to sudden death and injuries to children playing around on-going construction sites.

While the numbers of children killed or injured on construction sites has reduced, there is no room for contentment.

In the same vein, construction companies should also be taken to task and dealt with decisively for leaving sites open and not doing much to ensure safety for community members.

Some members of the public also fall into construction sites when they try to steal or vandalise the infrastructure on site.

They end up injuring and causing death to themselves. Both children and adults should abide by rules stipulated on construction sites and respect the no entry signals stay safe and stay away from construction sites.

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