

Madiba's condition remains unchanged

Former President Nelson Mandela's condition remains unchanged, the Presidency said late yesterday.

It said Madiba was still at a Pretoria hospital and "doctors continue to do their best to ensure his recovery, well-being and comfort".

President Jacob Zuma has thanked the South African public for ongoing support and understanding.

"We must support him and support his family. We must demonstrate our love and appreciation for his leadership during the struggle for liberation and in our first few years of freedom and democracy by living out his legacy and promoting unity, non-racialism, non-sexism and prosperity in our country," said President Zuma.

He said that as the former statesman will turn 95 on 18 July, South African should plan to make it the biggest Mandela Day ever.

"We must all be planning what to do next month in marking our 67 minutes of doing good for humanity as called upon by Madiba to do so, when he launched the International Mandela Day campaign. Let us make it the biggest Mandela Day ever on the 18th of July, focusing on doing good all over the country," said Zuma

The President called for Madiba and his family be accorded the necessary sensitivity, dignity and privacy at this time.