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INFORMANT: MNTEKASIBONE DLAMINI

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REGIMENT : LONDOLOZI

AREA: BHANGANOME

INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM:

FOREFATHERS

Somcuba - he was ruling the area extending through Barberton as far as Mgwenya.

Somcuba was killed by the king at Mgwenya and his sons were scattered. He was killed under the instructions of king Mbandzeni, who had instructed them to return the wives and children. Up to now we live under the favour of the king. One of his children fled to Lesotho. The rest, who are in Swaziland were given areas to control i.e. here at Bhanganome; at Ntenya and at Nkomyeni; at Kuqinisekeni — four areas were assigned to the children of the dead Somcuba. The heroes are Shakata, son of Somcuba who fell in the battle of Mshadza. Shakata went to the extent of going to war despite his being chief because in Swaziland the nobles go out to military activiites. At the death of XMk Shakati Nyatsi took over. During the Zulu raids the children of Somcuba were not here. The mother of Somcuba was LaMndzebele.

PRAISES OF NYATSI

The one who does not interfere with a menstruating lady
The poker whose finger nails are white
A lad who leaps like a witch doctor
Who mauled and deceived a person
You poke Mlangeni with your white feather which came from Mpondoland.