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## PRESS RELEASE

13 year old Luyanda Ngeleka who made headlines today is in a stable condition at Port Shepstone Hospital following a tragic accident near Port Edward on Tuesday.

Luyanda spent the night enduring intense pain after falling 80 metres into a gorge.

He was airlifted and admitted in Port Shepstone hospital yesterday where doctors say his condition is stable. Luyanda was lucky to have survived and had only suffered a fracture in his right leg, a gapping wound in the left leg and a few bruises. The teenage boy is glad to have been given a second chance at life and sees the whole ordeal as a miracle, "I was very scared and in so much pain, I was scared of being bitten by snakes but felt so relieved when I was rescued," said Luyanda speaking from his hospital bed.

Medical staff and doctors at Port Shepstone Hospital are happy with Luyanda's progress and condition.

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