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Serial Rapist arrested:

During April and May 2011 a number of ladies were attacked, robbed and raped in the Douglasdale and Honeydew SAPS Precincts.

The cases that were reported were investigated by the Honeydew Cluster Family Child Sexual Offences Unit. In all the cases the modus operandi was the same. The suspect would offer unemployed ladies employment. They would then take a taxi to Douglasdale or Honeydew where he would tell them to walk with him to the place that is offering employment. They would take a shortcut through the veld where the suspect would overpower and rape the ladies. He also robbed them of their cellphones, bank cards, etc. In some of the cases he approached the victims from Tembisa and took them to Douglasdale.

A task team was established that worked nonstop during which they received information regarding the suspect. The information was followed up and led them to an Informal Settlement in Douglasdale. The 25 year old suspect was arrested in his shack and the property that was stolen from some of the complainants was recovered. The Cluster Commander Major Reddy has applauded the arrest.

If there are any more victims that have been through the same experience they are asked to make contact with the investigating officer: Constable Ramathavhana on 072 607 3792.

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