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Poachers kill two lions and a zebra, using wire snares in a Limpopo ranch

Police in Limpopo have launched a manhunt for daring poachers who set up wire snares in Letaba Ranch and killed two lions and a zebra. File Picture

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Police at Lulekani under the Mopani District are investigating a case of illegal poaching of protected wild animals, in an incident where two lions and a zebra were killed.

An injured hyena was rescued after it was caught up in a wire snare, in the incident which happened at Genoeg Camp inside Letaba Ranch on Sunday around midnight.

"It is alleged that an employee was sleeping at the premises when he heard a

discovered two dead lions that were caught in wire snares.

There was also a dead zebra, caught in a wire snare, which was found in the vicinity.

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Two lions and a zebra were killed after being caught up in wire snares in a Limpopo ranch. File Picture

"Moreover, one hyena was also found trapped with wire snares, but it was still alive. The employee managed to free and rescue the animal. Police have launched a manhunt for the unknown suspects," said Ledwaba.