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Shange eyes gold in Gold Coast

South African race walker Lebogang Shange proved he could be a medal contender at 2018's Commonwealth Games in Gold Coast, Australia,

with his promising fourth-place finish during the 20km race walk at the world championships in London on Sunday.

The University of Pretoria (Tuks) race walker surprised with his zeal to take on the world's best over the last few kilometres of the race.

He rapidly moved up from 20th position at halfway – and 23 seconds in arrears – through the field, to take the lead.

The South African still led going into the last lap, but his energy waned over the last two kilometres.

His effort, however, was not in vain. He clocked a time of one hour, 19 minutes and 18 seconds, which was 48 seconds faster than the South African record of 1:20:06 which he set last year in Adelaide.

Shange also broke the SA record at the 2015 world championships Beijing, finishing 11th in a time of 1:21:43.

