

MEDIA RELEASE PSA appreciates North-West Department of Education's action on

occupational health and safety matters

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The Public Servants Association of South Africa (PSA) has appreciation for the prompt response by the North-West Department of Education in Mmabatho in addressing occupational health issues identified by the PSA.

These include instances where refuse was not collected from Mmabatho High School for weeks, creating an unhygienic environment for those accessing the premises. Grass at the institution was not cut for prolonged period, roofs were leaking, and there was a spillage near the security gate.

On discovering these issues, the PSA alerted the Head of Department. This did not yield a positive result and the PSA raised the matter with the General Public Service Sectoral Bargaining Council's Provincial Chamber. The Department then took swift action to investigate, rectify, and implement the necessary measures to mitigate the identified risks.

The well-being and safety of employees are a top priority, and the Department has shown commitment in ensuring a healthy and secure working environment for its employees. The action to resolve these issues has reassured employees that concerns related to their health and safety will be addresses. The PSA commends the Department for the swift and effective response and looks forward to a continued partnership in maintaining healthy and safe workplaces.

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