

FOR PSA MEMBERS: PUBLIC SERVICE COORDINATING BARGAINING COUNCIL
(PSCBC) - MPUMALANGA

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Disposal of state houses

The special meeting was arranged to the disposing of State houses. Labour had observed the maladministration and irregular activities displayed by public service officials related to state houses. Some of the activities observed were that some tenants are not even public service officials.

In the previous Chamber, the employer had indicated that the Mpumalanga Exco decision was that the state houses be disposed by public auction at market price. Labour deemed this to be unfair as some public officials would not be in the position to purchase. Labour engaged employer on the following counter proposal if indeed the auction is to be effected:

- All legal tenants must be given first preference for ownership.
- A first-time homeowner at salary level 1 – 12 be afforded 30% discount of the determined price of that property.
- Second-time buyers on salary level 1 – 12 be afforded 20% discount.
- Salary level 13 – 16 officials be afforded 10% discount.

Labour further submitted that should the above process not be approved, the auction should be broadened to all citizens. The employer acknowledged labour's proposal and requested that it be formalised in writing for it to engage with its principals. The employer and labour consented that a task team be established to scrutinise the issue of the state houses' occupants - if they are indeed government officials and if the percentages proposed by labour are feasible.

Members will be informed of developments once the task team has been established.

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