

Feedback: COVID-19 Steering Committee Meeting

A virtual meeting took place on 22 October 2020 and the following issues were discussed:

Non-compliance: OHS Requirements

The employer reported that all districts still have stock and orders are made as stock runs out. It was reported that the order was finally issued to the service provider after having a challenge with the printing machine for Senwamokgope for the JOJO tank installation. On the request of the PSA regarding the time frame, the employer responded that the time frame is three days and hopes that it will be finalised by the end of the week.

Alert level 1

The employer reported that Tzaneen Office was visited by the Labour Inspector and discovered that they comply. At Phalaborwa Office, a structural engineer visited after a prohibition notice was issued. Whereas Waterberg reported that Modimolle Office was closed due to cracks in the building and that two mobile offices were arranged. The structural engineer visited the office on 20 October. In Vhembe and Sekhukhune, they are renewing the social distancing markings that were no longer visible. In Capricorn, the issue of water at Bochum is still under discussion. The PSA commended Tzaneen for compliance and reiterated that all districts should comply to avoid notices from Department of Employment and Labour.

Employees Infected with COVID-19

The number of infected employees are 11 with 2 active cases, 8 recoveries and 1 death. It was reported that in Capricorn, Mokgwadi Office was closed and 1 employee is in isolation. That office was disinfected on Friday 16 October. Mopani reported that Giyani Office was closed and disinfection was done on 19 October. No employee or client reported symptoms.

Training of employees for COVID-19

All districts reported on their progress and that there are delays in some offices, but the assessment will soon be finalised.

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All districts held their COVID-19 meetings. Members are advised to engage shop stewards or the PSA provincial office on 015 295 0500 should they encounter problems with compliance.

GENERAL MANAGER