



FOR PSA MEMBERS: LIMPOPO DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS

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Containment of COVID-19: Lockdown response

The President announced a national lockdown owing to the rapid increase in the transmission of the COVID-19. Subsequently, Regulations were issued, which indicated services that were declared essential/critical and warranted certain groups of employees and departments to be working during the lockdown period.

The Department of Home Affairs was also identified to be rendering critical services, e.g. birth and death certificates, and replacement of identification documents. Therefore, the Department would through its internal process determine the allocation of human resources to ensure execution of the departmental mandate.

The PSA conducted an assessment of institutions regarding the compliance to Regulations dealing with containment of the transmission of COVID-19. The Department of Home Affairs was found to be non-compliant resulting in an an engagement between the PSA and the management. It was resolved that the procurement of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will be centralised through the Home Affairs Provincial Manager, Mr Matsaung. It was further confirmed that service providers were sourced, both locally and in Gauteng, and will deliver gloves, sanitisers and masks.

Members who will be working are advised to use their institutional PSA shop stewards as their primary contacts in case there is no provision of the PPE. If the matter remains unresolved, members can contact Ike Monyane (Provincial Chairperson), but only after engagement with local shop stewards or can even call the Home Affairs Provincial Manager directly.

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