

## COVID-19: North West Provincial Plan

The North West Premier after the announcement by the President Cyril Ramaphosa on Cabinet's decisions declaring COVID-19 a national disaster Premier called an urgent Special Executive Council meeting 17 March 2020, in order to discuss and agree on safety measures for all employees and members of the public accessing Provincial Government buildings; in line with the President's announcement and instructions.

The meeting announced establishment of various committees across the departments which amongst other things to ensure that government building access is controlled and regulated in line with Presidential announcement. The various departments gave inputs to the Provincial Disaster Management Command Centre (EXCO), which will be consolidated into a document to be published on 20 March 2020 as provincial Disaster Management Plan for COVID-19 for all departments to follow.

However, most Departments have implemented contingency plans while waiting for the signed plan and have deactivate Biometric Systems in offices, they are continuously disinfecting offices, sanitizers bottles and clothes procured for different offices and a challenge was reported at the Department of Labour in Brits which was to be finalized by 20 March 2020.

**NB: The PSA is closely monitoring, and should any Department be found not to be complying with the COVID-19 directives as outlined by Provincial Disaster management plan, the PSA will left with no option but to its members with the view to close down those institution.**

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