



FOR PSA MEMBERS: DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES (DEFF)

20-01-2021

Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Technical Committee

The Committee dealt with the following items:

[Note: Figures in bracket are for December 2020]

Reported national positive COVID-19 cases in DEFF

Overall figure stands at 240 (178) confirmed cases.

Reported positive cases per Province

•	Eastern Cape	(53)	56
•	Gauteng	(54)	81
•	KwaZulu-Natal	(13)	16
•	Limpopo	(3)	3
•	Western Cape	(52)	79
•	Mpumalanga	(2)	3
•	North West	(1)	2

Reported cases per building (highest figures)

GP Environment House	(43)	81
Eastern Cape	56	
Stanley Street	(11)	13
Bisho	(2)	13
Limpopo	(3)	3
Magistrate Bldg. Makhado	(1)	1
NRM Tzaneen	(1)	1
15 Landros Mare Street	(1)	1

KwaZulu Natal	16	
Langalibalele	(13)	11
MP Permanent Bldg	(2)	3
North West		2
Bloemhof Nursery	(1)	

Brits NRM (1)

Reported positive cases during adjusted alert level 3 as announced on 29 December 2020

Total number amounts to 27 (as of 13 January 2021)

Per Province respectively:

EC 2 GP 12 KZN 1 WC 11 NW 1

Contact tracing

Total contacts amounted to 18 (GP - 5, WC - 13)

DPSA Circular 1 of 2021

The Committee perused the Circular, which was intended to be a guide for the Adjusted Alert level 3. The necessary recommendations were made, especially the overall percentages intake for the resumption of duties by employees who were on leave. Should there be a challenge on implementation of the Departmental Circular, members must consult local representatives for discussion during the forthcoming Committee meeting.

The PSA expresses sincere condolences to the families, colleagues and friends of members who succumbed to the pandemic as well for those who lost loved ones. Furthermore, the PSA wishes members who are currently ill a speedy recovery.

GENERAL MANAGER