

Return-to-work plan: Adjusted alert level 3

Pursuant to the announcement by the President of the Republic to place the country under adjusted alert level 3, the PSA wrote to the Department to convene an urgent National Steerco meeting to outline the administrative protocols amidst the COVID-19 resurgence and increased infections.

The PSA was concerned about the influx of clients into Home Affairs offices during this period. A meeting was convened on 5 January 2021 and the PSA submitted the following interventions:

- Rotational and shift system to be implemented.
- Vulnerable employees to be managed appropriately in terms of DPSA directives and Department of Health protocols.
- Services offered by the Department to be reduced.

The employer noted the submission by the PSA and agreed that the inputs would be included in the drafted return-to-work plan. The employer committed to issue the circular by the end of this week.

The PSA will continue to monitor the situation and keep members updated on developments.

The PSA wants to take this opportunity to wish all employees who are affected or infected by COVID-19 a safe a speedy recovery.

GENERAL MANAGER