



FOR PSA MEMBERS: DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES - NORTHERN CAPE

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Northern Cape: Alarming rate of COVID-19 cases at Tswelopele Correctional Centre

The PSA is concerned about the high number of COVID-19 positive cases reported at Tswelopele Correctional Centre in Kimberley.

This institution houses more than 1 500 inmates with a workforce of 450 officials. The worrying factor is that management is not sharing information around the number of infected officials with employees. The Union only picks up that numbers are growing owing to the absence of officials from work owing to isolation.

The PSA wrote a letter to the Area Commissioner to implement a 50% of staff at work arrangement given escalating COVID-19 cases. The PSA appreciates that the country is still under alert-level 1 but the suggestion of reducing the staff complement at the workplace will assist in ensure continued service delivery.

GENERAL MANAGER