

## Feedback: Provincial OHS/COVID-19 meeting: 24 February 2022

The following issues were discussed:

### OHS requirements

Progress was reported on outstanding matters of the Phalaborwa office. Training of first aiders has been finalised and the three members who attended the said training were issued with certificates. The floor and evacuation plan is almost complete and only the attaching of office/room numbers is left. The long-outstanding fire extinguishers have been serviced and it will expire in November 2022.

### COVID-19 management

Districts reported that they still have personal protection equipment. Cloth masks were delivered and distributed to members. Mopani reported that Senwamokgope, Modjadjiskloof, and Phalaborwa do not have temperature scanners. The PSA urged the employer to buy scanners for daily taking of temperatures. Since the COVID-19 outbreak, Limpopo had 139 reported cases with 133 recoveries and five deaths. It was reported that the employer issued Departmental Circular 8 of 2022 after the DPSA issued Circular 5 of 2022. All employees are reporting for duty, except for those on approved leave. Those employees with co-morbidities should apply. The PSA noted the report and urged the employer to continue adhering COVID-19 regulations.

### Inconsistency in appointing Cleaners

The PSA raised a concern about inconsistency with the appointment of office cleaners as offices have one permanent and/or one contract whereas other offices have none. It was put to the employer that the appointment of cleaners should be prioritised as the cleaning of offices is important to prevent COVID-19 infections. The employer responded that it has put measures in place to monitor the process. Cleaners are appointed, except for Bochum and Hlaniki, which will soon be finalised.

### Malamulele landline

It was reported that the landline at Malamulele is not working and that the cell phone of the office manager may be used. It was reported that the landline has been fixed and working.

### Steering Committee meeting

Parties agreed that meetings will be held once a month, however, should a need arise, any party will request a meeting.

GENERAL MANAGER