

## FOR PSA MEMBERS: DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS (DHA) - WESTERN CAPE

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## Department of Home Affairs: Nyanga Office deemed safe

The Department of Home Affairs Nyanga Office was temporarily shut down following an inspection by the Department of Employment and Labour (DEL), prompted by complaints from the PSA. The inspection revealed serious health and safety violations, including:

- Mould on ceilings
- · Leaking roof posing fire and electrical risks
- Sagging ceilings risking collapse
- Blocked emergency exits (only one door used for entry and exit)
- Exposed electrical wiring
- Inadequate drinking water (water tank not serviced for over a year)

As a result, a Prohibition Notice was issued, preventing the reopening of the Office until these issues were resolved.

On Friday, 8 August 2025, the Department of Home Affairs convened a meeting with the PSA and the DEL to present the improvements made in response to the Prohibition Notice. Most of the listed issues had been addressed, and the Department provided formal commitments to resolve the remaining concerns.

Following a thorough inspection, the PSA and the DEL expressed satisfaction with the progress made. Consequently, the Prohibition Notice was lifted, allowing the Office to reopen on Monday, 11 August 2025. The Department is committed to providing a safe and functional environment for employees and the public.

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